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Yehoshua Schwartz leaps score against the Filipino team-mate Shmaryahu ky (6) looks on in an Games semi-final in Tehe- Friday. Israel outclassed ilippines by 123-101 and South Korea in the final (AP radiophoto)

Israel expelled from Asian soccer body

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

TEHERAN. — Israel was in effect expelled from the Asian Football Confederation yesterday when delegates to an AFC congress here voted 17 to 12 in favour of a Kuwaiti resolution.

The resolution said no Israel team should be invited to any tournaments organized by AFC members, nor be allowed to play host to any AFC competitions.

Kuwait yesterday was to have met Israel in a semi-final match of the Asian Games football competition, but defaulted. Israel thus goes on to the final against Iran today for the Asian crown (see page 4).

The final is not affected by the AFC decision. Behrouz Shadendeh, deputy press officer of the Games Organizing Committee, pointed out that the current tournament is being held under the jurisdiction of FIFA, the International Federation of Football Associations.

In his opening speech to the AFC congress, Tunku Abdul Rahman, the Malaysian Prime Minister and President of the AFC, came out against non-acceptance in the organization of nations not on the continent. He felt very strongly that the Confederation should accept members from non-region countries.

On the objection of Arab countries to Israeli membership, the Tunku said he had tried to persuade Israel to join the European zone to save the AFC from further embarrassment and end the present impasse.

Israel has so far refused to this, he said, pointing out they were founder-members of the Confederation. This meant that there was politics in football and that the impasse would continue, now with the added intervention of China and North Korea, he added.

(Education and Culture Minister Aharon Yadlin, whose Ministry is in charge of the Israel Sports Authority, said on Friday that in his view Israel should continue to compete in Asian sport events despite increasing difficulties.

In an interview with the Army radio, Yadlin said "we belong to Asia and should insist on our right to affiliation with Asian sport federations." The Israel Sports Authority would hold a thorough discussion on the lessons to be learned from the Asian Games in Teheran, he added.)

In a separate development, Israel delegation officials earlier yesterday expressed "deep distress and dismay" over the refusal of Chinese, North Korean and Pakistani athletes to compete against Israelis at the Games.

"It was indeed our hope that the first participation of Chinese athletes in the Asian Games will be a most important addition to Asian sports, enhancing the spirit of friendship and Olympic solidarity in our continent," said a statement by Yosef Inbar, president of Israel's Olympic Committee, and Haim Glovinsky, the Committee's honorary secretary.

They said they hoped the Chinese actions here would "be but an exception which will not become a rule in our future sports meetings."

Israel won a tennis mixed doubles gold medal, and a tennis men's singles bronze medal by default when Chinese athletes refused to play.

It also won a fencing bronze medal when North Koreans refused to fence, and shot straight through undefeated into the soccer finals after only playing one of three semi-final games as Kuwait would not take the field.

The statement also criticized Pakistan for refusing to play Israel in basketball.

"We, and to the best of our knowledge many other delegations, were deeply disappointed by the attitude taken by the Pakistani delegation in refusing to meet sportsmen of another member of the Asian Games Federation.

"The singular honour accorded to Pakistan in having been chosen to host the Eighth Asian Games can hardly be upheld by setting such a negative precedent, which can only be condemned," the Israeli officials said.

DISAPPOINTED

The statement said the Israelis were particularly disappointed in China's conduct because its delegation represents "such a considerable contingent of Asian Youth." It said the Chinese, for reasons other than sport, repeatedly violated the fundamental rules of the Asian Games Federation "by which they solemnly undertook to abide."

The Israeli officials also praised host country Iran for "relentless, continuous and arduous efforts" to strictly abide by the Federation's rules, "doing so in the most objective, patient and selfless manner."

It said the Games here "were not only the most elaborate held to date, but were conducted in the most organized and dignified manner."

It added, "we earnestly hope that the Olympic spirit so amply manifested by the host country of the Seventh Asian Games will also prevail in all future Asian sports gatherings."

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President Ford walks with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Mrs. Ford, far right, with Mrs. Rabin at the White House on Thursday night when Mr. Ford gave a state dinner for the visiting Israeli leader at the executive mansion. (AP radiophoto)

Rabin satisfied on U.S. arms commitments

By WOLF BLITZER, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—After three White House meetings with President Gerald Ford, Israel's Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin returns home satisfied that the United States will provide Israel with all the short term military equipment it needs to defend itself and confident that Israel's long-term arms requirements will also be met, according to well-informed sources here.

Prime Minister Rabin, who left Washington on Friday for New York shortly after concluding his third, previously unscheduled meeting with the President, told a press conference at Blair House just before departing Washington that he and President Ford "have reached an understanding about the ongoing military relationship in a concrete way with concrete results." Mr. Rabin declined to release any details, asserting: "I think the words that I have used speak for themselves."

Asked if he were very confident of future support by the Ford administration, the Prime Minister said: "I leave with the confidence that there is a deep understanding of our problems, that there is an understanding that the strength of Israel is essential not only for Israel but for the pursuing of the cause of peace in the Middle East." He added that "much will be done" to make it possible for Israel to defend itself.

Official sources here said that most of the Rabin-Ford meetings dealt with the question of U.S. arms supplies to Israel. At Mr. Rabin's talks with Secretary of State Kissinger, the emphasis was on future negotiations in the Middle East.

These sources asserted that the Prime Minister clarified Israel's military situation to the President, who is now believed more fully aware of the need to maintain a strong Israel. While he served in Congress, Mr. Ford had an outstanding pro-Israel voting record, but because he never had the chance to visit Israel, the President did not have first-hand knowledge of the dangers facing Israel.

American officials have agreed to accelerate delivery of certain items which were originally scheduled to be shipped to Israel later next year. Officials here said Israel fears a possible resumption of war along the Syrian front some time next year.

These short term items include 200 heavy diesel-powered M-60 tanks, the so-called laser-guided "smart bombs," missile-firing helicopters, and certain ground to ground missiles, the "New York Times" reported yesterday. More F-4 Phantom jets are also on the way, ahead of schedule.

Israel long-term military needs from the U.S. will be harder to fulfill because Israel does not have the capital to pay for the highly sophisticated armaments. But the administration is understood to have assured Mr. Rabin that it will ask Congress to approve a substantial increase in military grants and loans to Israel.

Under U.S. law, Congress must both authorize and appropriate all foreign aid. It appropriates money on an annual basis, but it can ask for a long-term, multi-year authorization.

Such an authorization would allow Israeli military officials in the U.S. to order certain arms — especially warplanes — from American manufacturers. Some items must be ordered several years in advance to ensure delivery, and U.S. companies might not accept

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Premier meets with Cabinet tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The Cabinet is to meet in special session tomorrow, the eve of Rosh Hashana, to hear an initial report from Prime Minister Rabin on his talks in Washington. The Premier is due home today.

This morning, the Cabinet will hold its regular weekly session with Acting Premier Yigal Allon in the chair.

Japanese terrorists still hold hostages

Nine held in Hague embassy

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP).— Three members of the terrorist Japanese Red Army maintained their hold on nine hostages inside the French Embassy here yesterday despite France's agreement to turn over an imprisoned comrade as the terrorists had demanded.

Dutch marines joined the security force at the scene.

The prisoner was flown from a French prison to an airport near here, meeting the original demand of the terrorists when they seized the French Ambassador and eight other persons as hostages Friday.

There was no immediate official explanation as to why the Red Army group had not agreed to release the hostages in exchange for the prisoner brought from France, but the terrorists did accept a mediation offer from the Egyptian ambassador in the Hague. The Red Army has ties with Arab terror groups.

There were reports which could not be officially confirmed that the prisoner at the airport was refusing to be released to join the Red Army trio.

In Paris, a spokesman for the French Interior Ministry said the terrorists had presented "a dozen demands since last night, all more or less fantastic and unacceptable."

He added that the French Government was remaining firm on meeting only the original demand.

"We will exchange our Japanese, who is our hostage, against the nine persons held by the commandos in the embassy," the Paris spokesman said. "We will not change our attitude.

"It is the question of the lives of nine people. The Dutch government has no intention of putting the lives of these hostages, some of whom are Dutch, in danger."

The spokesman said a police assault in an attempt to free the hostages was "the last solution to be envisaged."

Rifle-toting Dutch marines in flak jackets reinforced scores of police around the building. All traffic was blocked for about a mile, and streetcar and bus services were disrupted. The cordoned-off area included the Dutch Parliament building.

The terrorists also accepted a mediation offer from Egyptian Ambassador Galal Ezzat Abdel Wahab Ezzat, a fluent Japanese speaker, some 24 hours after they seized the Embassy, wounded two police officers, and grabbed Ambassador Jacques Senard, five embassy staffers and three visitors.

They held them at gunpoint on the fourth floor of the Embassy and threatened to kill them one by one unless police handed over Yutaka Furuya, a Japanese Red Army man arrested in France with instructions to kidnap prominent Japanese in Europe to gain the release of Japanese revolutionaries.

They set two deadlines, but both passed without incident.

Dutch police occupied the lower three floors of the Embassy, posted sharpshooters on neighbouring roofs and set up a cordon outside the building as French police brought Furuya to Amsterdam airport, about a 30-minute drive from the Hague, and held him there.

The terrorists also demanded a bus to take them and the hostages to the airport, and a plane to fly them out of the country. They said they would free the hostages after they reached their destination, but did not say what it was.

KLM, the Dutch airline, said one of its planes was standing by at the airport, but that the gunmen must come aboard unarmed, and their destination must be known before departure.

Dr. K. awaits Israel's plan on next move

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — When Secretary of State Henry Kissinger returns to the Middle East for about four days during the second week of October, he will expect Prime Minister Rabin's government to have formulated a preliminary plan regarding second stage negotiations with Egypt. The Secretary hopes the Israeli government will have also adopted a firmer position on how best to get talks started with Jordan.

According to informed sources here, Dr. Kissinger and Mr. Rabin, in their meetings here last week, reviewed in great detail the various options aimed at maintaining the diplomatic momentum in the Middle East.

They did not reach a firm decision on the next stage but it is now believed that both the U.S. and Israel agree that talks should begin next on the Egyptian front.

Dr. Kissinger will meet with Arab foreign ministers during the opening session of the U.N. General Assembly later this month. At that time, and in meetings next month with Arab heads of government in the Middle East, the Secretary will try to reach a consensus regarding the next round of talks.

He will attempt to convince King Hussein of Jordan to wait patiently while Israel and Egypt resume negotiations and he will assure the monarch that Israel will begin talks with him as soon as a second stage agreement with Egypt is achieved.

Mr. Rabin told a press conference at Blair House on Friday the U.S. and Israel had reached an "understanding" on the need to search for peace in the region. "I believe that there is an understanding of the way we have to pursue in the efforts to move from the present situation towards peace," he said.

The Prime Minister would not commit himself, however, noting that there should be "much more room for manoeuvre in exploring further what will be the next solution."

Throughout the Rabin visit to Washington, it was apparent that no decision would be officially announced. The Secretary wanted to have the opportunity to consult once again with the Arabs.

Mr. Rabin virtually ruled out the possibility of holding simultaneous talks with Jordan and Egypt. "I don't believe that it is advisable," he said. "I don't believe that it is possible in our area that simultaneous negotiations will lead somewhere," he added.

N DEBATE ASKED ON 'ALESTINE QUESTION'

D NATIONS (Reuter). — ree countries on Friday alled for a debate on the he question at the 29th ses- the UN General Assembly on Tuesday.

request was signed by UN ntatives of all the 20 Arab states as well as by ambas- from Communist countries. viet Union and China were ong them.

xplanatory memorandum ac- ying the request said that h various aspects of the Pa- problem had regularly been ith by the assembly and other encies, the question of Pa- as such and the question of tus and fate of the Palestin- ople as such had not ap- on any assembly agenda in han 20 years.

ess statement issued imme- afterwards by the Israeli UN said the Arab initiative was ack to the cause of peace Middle East. It said the was initiated by the Pales- iberation Organization.

sponsors want the question discussed in the Assembly

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic ondent reports:

Foreign Ministry in Jerusa- s called in most of the ambas- stationed in Israel and stress- them Israel's position on a Palestine debate at the e ambassadors were advised ch a debate — especially if its in a pro-PLO resolution ld be severely detrimental to U.S.-initiated peace efforts region.

l also opposes the PLO's de- o be accorded observer status General Assembly.

UN shuttle in bid to ease tension

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

UN efforts to ease tensions on the Israel-Syria frontier are continuing over this weekend, with the Secretary-General's political assistant, Roberto Guyer, and the commander of Undof, Gen. Ensio Siilasvuo, commuting from Jerusalem to Cairo yesterday and intending to proceed to Damascus today.

Dr. Guyer came to the Middle East last week to assist General Siilasvuo in his talks with Syrian and Israeli officials, following Israeli complaints of Syrian violations of the cease-fire.

After talks in Damascus, Guyer and Siilasvuo met with Defence Minister Shimon Peres in Tel Aviv on Thursday, and with Acting Prime Minister Yigal Allon on Friday.

The low-key tone of the statement issued after this meeting and of a statement issued by the Defence Ministry after Mr. Peres' meeting with the UN officials on Thursday, led informed observers to deduce that contacts with the Syrians, through the UN officials, were still at a delicate stage and that some hope for more scrupulous Syrian observance of the disengagement terms still existed.

Israel has complained specifically about a road which the Syrians are building to the Hermon summit, and of types and quantities of weaponry stationed in the limited-forces zone.

Saudi may reconsider attitude towards OPEC

BEIRUT (UPI). — Saudi Arabia may reconsider its attitude towards the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) following the rejection by Opec's Vienna conference of Saudi proposals for reducing crude posted prices, an authoritative oil journal said yesterday.

The Middle East Economic Survey (Mees) said Saudi Arabia urged the conference, which ended Friday in the Austrian capital, to couple its decision on raising the tax and royalty rates on the companies with a reduction in posted prices "to give some relief to the consumers."

Although the Saudi proposal was accorded a sympathetic reception by such influential members of Opec as Algeria, Kuwait and Iran, it was strongly opposed by others, notably Iraq and Libya, Mees said.

Saudi Arabia has dissociated itself from the conference's decision to increase the governments' take on the companies' crude by 3.5 per cent or 33 cents a barrel. (Story page 4).

"Saudi Arabia has done its best in recent months to cooperate to the full with its Opec partners, notably by putting off the auction sale it originally intended to hold in August and by not increasing production," the source said. "However, Opec has not reciprocated by taking Saudi Arabia's views into consideration in its decisions.

"Saudi Arabia may therefore be obliged to reconsider its attitude towards Opec," he said.

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Jordan: first disengagement, then Geneva

AMMAN (UPI). — Jordan will not take part in the Arab-Israeli peace conference at Geneva unless it reaches a military disengagement agreement with Israel first, Premier Zeid Rifai said yesterday.

Addressing a political rally, Rifai denied that a disengagement accord has been reached secretly with Israel already.

"Reports that appear every now and then about this subject have no basis in truth," he said.

'Sunday Telegraph' report

Britain sells 400 tanks to Israel

LONDON (JTA). — Britain is selling hundreds of Centurion tanks to Israel to replace losses in the Yom Kippur War, according to the "Sunday Telegraph's" diplomatic correspondent, Norman Kirkham.

Kirkham reports that about 400 Centurion tanks, which were used by the British army, are being shipped and will be rearmed and refitted in Israel. More tanks may follow.

The correspondent estimates that the secret deal is worth more than £30m., although neither government is disclosing any details.

A spokesman for the British Foreign Office said last night he could not discuss figures or any other details, but that the report in the "Sunday Telegraph" about British arms sales to Israel "is not without foundation."

Kirkham's report states that Israel will improve the 52-ton tanks to make them more than a match for the latest Soviet models which have poured into Syria and Egypt. He adds that they will be given new 105mm. guns and engines which will enable them to travel farther and faster than the present 192-km. range at 32 kms per hour. They also may be equipped with missiles, he adds.

It was also reported that Israel is buying radar equipment and electronic tracking and detecting devices from Britain.

'New leaf' in Egypt's ties with USSR

By ANAN SAFADI
POST Arab Affairs Correspondent

The Soviet Union and Egypt have agreed to turn over a new leaf in their relations, opening a way to a summit meeting between Soviet party chief Leonid Brezhnev and President Anwar Sadat, Cairo's "Akhbar el-Yom" weekly said yesterday.

The well-informed weekly said an agreement to this effect was reached last week between Soviet President Nikolai Podgorny and Egyptian First Deputy Premier Abdul-Aziz Hegazy in Sofia, where they took part in ceremonies for Bulgaria's national day.

The weekly said Brezhnev and Sadat would meet in Cairo soon after Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy's visit to Moscow, which is due to begin today. Fahmy was scheduled to visit Moscow three months ago but this was put off by Brezhnev, evidently because of Moscow's dissatisfaction over Sadat's pro-U.S. policy.

Should Brezhnev come to the Egyptian capital it mean a comedown for the Soviet leader who had previously wanted Sadat to come to Moscow to discuss the strained relations between the two countries. The Egyptian leader, on his part, had repeatedly insisted that Brezhnev come to Cairo, noting that he, Sadat, had already met Brezhnev four times in the Soviet Union since he took pewer in Egypt in October 1971.

The strained relations between Cairo and Moscow were aggravated when Sadat accused the Soviets of having failed to meet their commitments in supplying Egypt with weapons on the eve of the October war and holding back supplies which would replace Egyptian losses during the war.

In an interview with Kuwait's "As-Siyassa" newspaper yesterday, Sadat said that the Soviet Union was still the main source of weapons for Egypt, but again said that the Russians had not supplied Cairo with any weapons since the October War. Sadat said that Egypt obtained arms elsewhere since the October war, though he did not name those sources.

On the Israel-Arab talks for a Middle East settlement, Sadat said he preferred that the Arab parties concerned go to Geneva in one bloc. Sadat did not say whether he envisaged a unified Arab delegation, but he stressed that a unified "front" at the Geneva conference would constitute "the peak of Arab solidarity."

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200 soccer fans held

SOUTHAMPTON, England (AP).— A trainload of over 200 soccer fans, mostly teenagers, were arrested yesterday after reportedly smashing up cars on the way to a big game.

The fans came to town to see the game between Southampton and Portsmouth in the English Second Division. Police said almost every light bulb on the train was smashed and one compartment had the roof bashed in.

TZIR OFFERS TO PAY TAX

dent Ephraim Katzir has to for go the special presi- income-tax exemption.

ting on Friday to Israel Karg- LK., chairman of the Knes- nance Committee, the Presi- id he was surprised to learn e assumed office that he was exempt from income tax. He r. Kargman — who was at Janassi to convey Rosh Ha- greetings to the President — the Finance Committee had decided to increase his sa- would be appropriate to take tiative and suggest that his -tax privilege be revoked.

Kargman promised to bring esident's proposal before the e Committee.

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Tel Aviv	65	21—28	21—28
Lod	53	19—30	18—30
Jericho	34	20—34	20—35
Gaza	60	20—29	20—29
Beersheba	42	16—31	16—31
Eilat	16	22—36	22—36
Tiran	30	26—35	25—35

Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir on Friday received Nobel Laureate René Cassin and Jules Braunzweig, members of the L'Alliance Universelle Israelite delegation currently visiting Israel.

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Joseph Bradway, Mayor of Atlantic City in the U.S., and his wife were on Friday the guests of Haifa Mayor Yosef Almogi.

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Mark Mosevics, President of the Manufacturers' Association, yesterday entertained Health Minister Victor Shemtov at a luncheon in Tel Aviv.

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Former Foreign Minister Abba Eban, M.K., was elected chairman of Beit Berl at the institution's annual general meeting at Tzofit on Friday. He replaces the outgoing chairman Education and Culture Minister, Aharon Yadlin.

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Maestro Arthur Rubinstein congratulated prize-winners of the First International Piano Competition at a gala concert last night in Jeru*salem's Binyenei Ha'ooma. The au*dience included President Ephraim Katzir, Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu, and Golda Meir, honorary *chairman of the competition.*

DEPARTURES

Mark Mosevics, President of the Manufacturers' Association, for Italy, on business.

NRP majority seen today for rejoining Gov't coalition

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The National Religious Party is today expected to accept by a comfortable majority the outstretched hand of the Labour Party welcoming it back into the Coalition.

NRP leadership sources said their Central Committee session opening at noon at the Ohel Shem Hall here should adopt a pro-coalition motion by at least a 70 per cent majority. The last-minute bid by the NRP youth circles to obstruct the convening of this forum failed on Friday when the party's court-of-honour rejected their plea to prohibit the meeting. The youth circles argued the motion should first have been voted on by the party National Executive.

The motion before the *NRP Central* Committee, tabled by the combined factions of Drs. Yosef Burg and Yitzhak Raphael, will be vaguely worded so as to leave enough room for any possible changes in the current formula proposed by the Labour Party (to freeze for one year the "religion" entry of converts in the Population Registry). Such a possibility was being mooted over the weekend among the coalition partners in anticipation of renewed activity after the High Holidays with Premier Rabin's return home.

Moreover, it now emerges that the Independent Liberals are not so united in opposing the NRP's return *to the coalition as was presumed* by the announcement released after Thursday's executive meeting. More than one-third of those present voted *to accept the present Labour for*mula enabling the NRP's return.

Their main spokesman is Tel Aviv Deputy Mayor Yitzhak Artzi who *speaks for the influential group in*side the ILP that fears that their party leadership is becoming captive of the anti-religious platform of Minister-without-Portfolio Shulamit Aloni and her Citizens' Rights Movement. Mr. Artzi has written to the party chairman, Tourism Minister Moshe Kol, objecting to the initial contacts with the CRM and Shinui *for the formation of a* liberal alignment.

Meanwhile the NRP majority has received encouragement in its drive to join the Cabinet by messages of support streaming in from Mizrachi leaders in the Diaspora and from *the leaders of orthodox congrega*tions, especially in the U.S. and Britain. While Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren has studiously avoided intervening, Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef has expressed his approval in conversations with his associates. The NRP leadership has also gained the influential backing of Tel Aviv Sephardi Chief Rabbi David Halevi.

In a dispatch from New York, JTA reports that the congregational and rabbinic bodies of Reform Judaism have condemned Premier Rabin's apparent "surrender" to the orthodox. A statement issued by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and the World Union for Progressive Judaism — representing international congregational *groups for Liberal Judaism* throughout the world — and the Central Conference of American Rabbis, said.

"We vigourously protest the proposal of a moratorium on the registration of converts under the Law of Return... We fully understand the exigencies of the moment, and sympathize with the Prime Minister in his desire to form a strong government. But the current proposal is unacceptable as a means to this end, for it diminishes both the integrity of Judaism and of the State, and engenders dangerous divisions within the Jewish people."

The Reform leaders requested a meeting with Mr. Rabin before his return to Israel.

Prof. Avraham Hochman and his wife Shoshana leaving a police van on Friday for their appearance at the Jerusalem District Court. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

Hadassah doctor free on IL500,000 bail

Tax evasion probe will take months

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Cancer *specialist Prof. Avraham* Hochman and his wife Shoshana were released from custody on Friday after promising to deposit *IL500,000 bail and have IL250,000* delivered to the Jerusalem District Court by tomorrow.

The couple are *suspected* of evading the payment of income taxes to the tune of hundreds of thousands of pounds per year. Their arrest followed allegations that Prof. Hochman, head of the Hadassah Medical Centre's Oncology Department, persuaded cancer patients to take private treatment at his clinic or home and demanded cash without giving receipts.

The bail was set at the unusually high figure because, the State Attorney's office noted, Prof. Hochman's expertise in his field of medicine would enable him to find work anywhere in the world.

The professor and his wife, who allegedly collected many medical fees from patients at their home, *say there is no truth at all to the* charges. Their attorney, Dr. Yuval Levy, suggested that the Hochmans' property, including their seven-room flat in Rehov Marcus and securities, be attached instead of a court demand for third-party guarantee. He called the court order a "personal slight on Prof. Hochman, especially since the matter is totally untrue."

Deputy Tax Commissioner Eliezer *Shiloni told The Jerusalem Post last* night that his investigation of 500 families whose deceased relatives were treated by Prof. Hochman will take about three months of careful interviewing by three or four staff members. Asked whether many other doctors are guilty of evading income tax, Mr. Shiloni said: "I won't say that others aren't doing the same thing, but at this time, we are investigating only Prof. Hochman. There are many fine doctors at Hadassah who are completely honest in their financial records."

Hadassah Hospital spokesman Lucien Harris said that the private consultative service instituted over 20 years ago, which allows senior physicians to treat private patients at clinics and be paid net fees through a hospital office, prevents *most payment "under the table."* He added that anyone with specific charges against any member of the hospital staff should send a signed complaint to the director, Prof. Kalman Mann.

Egypt's intentions still unclear, Yariv says

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Information Minister Aharon Yariv said here on Friday only the coming months would show if Egypt was bent on war, but nonetheless Israel would prefer to conduct the coming round of negotiations with that country.

Speaking at a World Federation of Jewish Journalists news conference Mr. Yariv said he did not think Egypt was eager for war, but that did not mean she wanted peace. "Peaceful intentions are not evident from what Egyptian leaders say or what the Egyptian army does," he said.

The *Information Minister* said that Israel would continue to press for a round of talks with Egypt, he did not exclude the possib that negotiations with Jordan w come first.

He felt the problem of talks Jordan was a complex one. Jordanians want Israel to draw, but do not see this as of a peaceful settlement, he n

Looking toward the future called on the Israeli public no to give in to despondency no be too cock-sure. "We must our eyes open and believe in strength. We have been in situations before," he noted.

But he warned that "every we do is noted across the bor This includes strikes," he add

Knesset Speaker raps 'order' for budget cuts

Jerusalem Post Knesset Rporter

Knesset Speaker Israel Yeshayahu wrote to Finance Minis Yehoshua Rabinowitz on Friday, complaining that the g name of the Knesset had been besmirched by one of his sen officials who "regrettably didn't quite grasp what a parliam is all about."

The Speaker wrote an unprecedentedly sharp letter of co plain about Budget's Director Arnon Gafni for sending Knesset a circular letter ordering it to cut its 1974/75 bud like government departments, and calculating by exactly h much.

The Speaker wrote that he ignored the Treasury letter, si the Knesset was sovereign and could not be compared to g ernment departments. He asserted that he could not acce administrative orders from government officials.

Because of the economic situation, Yeshayahu said, the Kn set had agreed not to increase its budget to provide bet security arrangements and technical facilities to help individ *MKs — which would have meant another IL500,000 to IL*

The Knesset committees responsible would have cut Knesset budget had there been room to do so, he said.

The Speaker pointed out that the Knesset budget covers s ries (some 85 per cent), as well as building maintenance security. No new purchases whatsoever were scheduled. Th were no operations which could be cut, or deferred. He that this year's budget was based on last year's, plus al ance for increased costs.

Father, son remanded after seizure of hashis

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Two Holon men, Yosef Shoshani, 60, and his son, Yehuda, 24, were remanded on Friday in the wake of Thursday's seizure by police of hashish worth an estimated IL3m. on the "market."

The father, who is reportedly suspected by police as being one of the leading traffickers of illegal drugs in the country, was remanded for seven days. His son was remanded for three days.

Rav-Samal Rishon Baruch Perah of the Tel Aviv police told the magistrate that Thursday's haul was Israel's biggest. Police found the 333-kgs. of hashish in a commercial van parked near Shoshani's house in Holon.

Perah told the magistrate that more arrests in illegal drug traf*ficking are expected and that po*lice are intensifying their investigations. Police reportedly believe that a gang of Jews and Arabs is involved, with the Arabs managing to smuggle the drugs across the borders.

It was reported that the hashish discovered on Thursday was destined for consumption in various parts of the country. The was described as "hungry" shish because the supply meet the demand due to p gilance and tightly-guarded

The hashish was also as very fresh, as well as a stamp with a sign of a cedar, which supposedly re origin.

Police said that more tha ago Shoshani and his son *manded on suspicion of tr* with drugs, when a sack hashish soles weighing a kgs. was found in an e *bordering their used car* ever, the two were release lack of evidence.

Knesset gettin annual clean-

Jerusalem Post Knesset Re

The Knesset will be close the whole of this week, as every year, for a clean-u

Knesset Members, tour staff will not be allowed in ing. Even if signatures mitted to call a special se will not be fixed until the

THREE DIE ON ROADS

Jerusalem Post Staff

Three persons were killed and one badly injured in road accidents over *the weekend.*

Five-year-old 'Assam Sheloudi was knocked down by a taxi in the main street of his home town, Hebron. The taxi-driver was held for questioning.

In Haifa, Sasson Haroush, 11, was killed when a light truck driven by a Haifa resident knocked him down in Derech Bar-Yehuda, at the southern approaches to the city. He was taken to Rambam Hospital, but was dead on arrival.

In another Haifa accident, 32-year-old Uri Yehoshua was badly injured when he was knocked down by a bicycle in the city's Ahuza quarter. He was taken to the Rambam Hospital in serious condition.

In an accident yesterday, Rafael Amiud, 22, of the Warburg quarter in Binyamina, was killed when a commercial vehicle hit him as he *tried to cross the old Tel Aviv-*Haifa road near Beit Hananya at 7.30 p.m. The driver was held.

Road accidents down this year

If you are driving, you have slightly less of a chance of being hurt on the road than you did last year.

This was reported on Friday by the Central Bureau of Statistics which noted a drop of four per cent in the number of accidents in the January through August period this year, as compared to last year's corresponding period. Injuries went down by five per cent in the same period.

The bureau *recorded 9,980* accidents and 14,575 injuries during January-August 1974 as compared with 10,435 accidents and 15,294 *casualties in 1973.*

Another drop was noted in accidents in August this year as compared to July. The Bureau said that there were nine per cent less, while the expected drop because of seasonal changes was only five per cent. The police recorded 1,297 accidents in August, with 1,934 persons injured.

Dan cooperative votes to unite with Egged

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Dan bus cooperative members voted overwhelmingly to unite with Egged at a general meeting on Friday night. Of the 1,800 members of the cooperative, more than 1,500 took part in the elections.

Several weeks ago the Egged members in a referendum also voted for a merger. Dan spokesman Aha*ron Shani said that* later this week representatives of the two cooperatives are to meet to decide on committees which will try to work out an agreement to unite the two bus cooperatives. Then the agreement will be brought for approval before the members of the two cooperatives.

As Rosh Hashana approaches

Security lull spurs tourism—but police increase vigilance

Tourism in both its foreign and domestic varieties has livened up perceptibly with the approach of *the holidays, the Ministry of Tour*ism reports. The Ministry's spokesman yesterday disclosed that hotel bookings in the 10 top tourist centres were running at an average of 90 per cent.

Tel Aviv hostelries are being sought largely by tourists from abroad, but Israelis predominate in the other centres, and bookings in Nahariya, Eilat, Ashkelon and the Dead Sea resorts are a solid 100 per cent. The figure in the three big cities stands at around 85 per cent, the spokesman said.

The Ministry has furnished hotels with holiday postcards for their guests, giving the times of prayer-services in all the large synagogues.

Greeting foreign arrivals for the holidays, Minister Moshe Kol emphasized in a message that their presence here demonstrates that *Israel's power of attraction is* stronger than the forces which seek to undermine her.

Nevertheless, the police are brac*ing themselves for the Rosh Ha*shana holiday. They will be working to protect the public on two fronts — against regular criminal activities, and against possible terrorist actions.

Sgan-Nitzav *Raphael Jacoby,* Head of Operations and Patrol Division at National Police Headquarters, interviewed on Israel *Radio yesterday,* said that patrol cars will increase their vigilance in residential areas, industrial and commercial areas — "and also in the vicinity of banks."

Concerning the steps taken to prevent terrorist activities, Sgan-Nitzav Jacoby said the police will be put on top alert, as will auxiliary forces such as the Haga civil defence and the civilian guard volunteers.

"We are now handing out the new M1 automatic rifle to the civilian guards and they will patrol crowded public places, such as synagogues and recreation centres. We will also put up roadblocks in many parts of the country," Sgan-*Nitzav Jacoby said.*

He asked the public to be on the watch for suspicious objects. If they do find anything suspicious, they should call the police, make sure that no one touches the object, and try to keep people away.

Extra buses, trains laid on for holiday

The two bus cooperatives will have their entire fleets — 850 buses of Dan and about 2,500 for Egged — on the roads on Rosh Hashana eve to cope with the expected large number of passengers. They will stop running about half an hour before sunset tomorrow evening.

- The last buses will leave Tel Aviv for Jerusalem, Haifa, Beersheba, Rehovot, Lydda, Rishon Lezion, Ramle, Kiryat Gat, Yavne, Ashdod, Ashkelon, Bat Yam, Holon, Herzliya, Zikhron Yaakov and Netanya at 6 p.m.; for Tiberias at 3.30 p.m.; for Safed and Migdal Ha'emek at 1 p.m.; for Eilat, Givat Brenner, and Safarim at 3 p.m.; for Urim, Tzeilim, Gvulot, Ofakim, Erez, Gvar Am, Yad Mordechai, Kfar Habad, Upper Galilee, Yavniel and the Jordan Valley, at 2.30 p.m.
- The last buses will leave Haifa for Eilat, at 9.30 a.m.; for Beersheba, *at 1.45 p.m.; for Ti*berias, at 4.45 p.m.; for Jerusalem, at 2 p.m.; for Yavniel at 4.30 p.m.; for Pardess Hanna and Tel Aviv, at 5.30 p.m.; for Afula, at 5 p.m.; and for Safad, at 4.15 p.m.
- The last bus will leave Jerusalem for Tel Aviv at 6 p.m.

Urban transportation will stop in Jerusalem at 5.45 p.m. on the eve *of the holiday, and will be* renewed on Wednesday night after sunset. Interurban transportation will start from Jerusalem at 6 p.m. and the buses to Tel Aviv will run until 11.30 p.m.

Interurban transportation will start from Tel Aviv at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, and the last bus on the *Tel Aviv-Haifa line* will leave Tel Aviv at 11 p.m.

Urban transportation in Haifa will stop on the eve of the holiday at 5.30 p.m., and will be renewed on Wednesday at 6.14 p.m.

TRAINS

Israel Railways have also made special arrangements for Rosh Hashana eve, operating additional coaches to cope with the anticipated holiday rush.

The last train will leave Jerusalem for Tel Aviv at 2.14 p.m.; Jerusalem for Haifa, at 12.12 p.m.; Tel Aviv for Jerusalem, at 2 p.m.; Tel Aviv for Beersheba, at 12.52 p.m.; Tel Aviv for Haifa, at 4 p.m.; Tel Aviv for Naha*riye, at 12.20 p.m.; Haifa for Tel* Aviv, at 3.50 p.m.; and Haifa for Nahariya, at 1.49 p.m.

The Railways management has asked the public to use the earlier trains wherever possible to leave the later trains free for soldiers returning home from their units.

Arab teachers complete Hebrew brush-up course

NETANYA. — Yom Kippur hymns in Hebrew and Ramadan chants in Arabic were performed here on Friday at a graduation party for teachers from the Gaza Strip, who completed a six-month course at Ulpan Akiva to brush up their Hebrew as teachers for adults.

The course, *for Arab college* graduates, was arranged by the Education Officer at the Gaza HQ of the Military Government.

The Arab teachers mingled with immigrants from many countries learning Hebrew at Ulpan Akiva, and veteran Israelis on refresher courses, some of whom also performed at the graduation party. Many of the teachers also brought up their families from Gaza to see the Ulpan — and in many cases Israel too, for the first time.

Kibbutz that adopted Sylva gives her a homecoming

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NIR AM. — What the approximately 350 members of this kibbutz planned as a "homecoming" party for Sylva Zalmanson on Friday evening turned into a huge welcome party of more than 1,000 persons who electrified the air with emotion.

This kibbutz in the southern coastal plain (10 km. north of Gaza) adopted Sylva from the time of her 1970 trial by Soviet authorities for an attempt to hijack a plane. During her four years of imprisonment, the kibbutz wrote her letters (which she did not receive) and campaigned for her release.

On arrival here last week Sylva promised she would spend her first Friday evening at Nir Am. She *arrived at 6 p.m. and until way* after midnight when the party broke up signs of deep emotion could be clearly seen on her face and heard in her voice.

At 7.30 the kibbutz held a festive dinner with the kibbutz dining room being overcrowded with well-wishers. The kibbutz had planned the party to be a quiet domestic affair, but from the minute word about it got out towards the end of the week, the phone did not stop ringing with requests to participate. The calls come from new immigrants, former prisoners of Zion and the chairman of the Jewish Agency, Pinhas Sapir.

At 9.30 all the kibbutz members and guests moved to an open-air theatre outside the dining room. Sylva sat on the grass with Mr. Sapir and representatives of new immigrants, the kibbutz and the Public Committee for Soviet Jewry.

First there was some communal singing, and then came the greetings, all of them stressing the importance of the need to continue the campaign for the release of all prisoners of Zion. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin sent a cable to the party.

Sylva answered in Russian, her voice choked with emotion: "It's like a dream," she stressed, "We must continue our struggle, not only for the release of my brothers and husband, but for all prisoners of Zion," she ended in Hebrew: "Shabat Shalom, Hag Sameah, Shana Tova."

Her husband, Edward Kuznetsov and her brothers Wold and Israel are *still imprisoned for their part* in the attempted hijacking. But Mrs. Edith Hamel, head of the Committee for the Release of Sylva Zalmanson in London, who flew to Israel to greet Sylva when she arrived, also attended the kibbutz gathering and said she was dedicating herself to fight for the release of Sylva's husband and brothers.

Ya'acov Reches, Haifa ILP leader

HAIFA. — Ya'acov Reches (Rechtman), administrative director of the Jewish Agency here and chairman of the local branch of the Independent Liberal Party, died here yesterday. He was 68.

Reches was born in Poland where he was one of the leaders of Hao*ved Hatzioni.* He came to this country in 1932 and settled in Haifa in 1937. In 1939 he was elected to the town council.

He is survived by a son and a daughter. The funeral is to be held today. *(Itim)*

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plaza, Tel Aviv, at 10.30 a.m.
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ipreme court rejects ipucci remand appeal

Supreme Court on Friday down Archbishop Hilarion l's appeal against the Jeru- District Court ruling to re- him until he is brought to ter this month. The head of ek Catholic Church in Jeru- Judea and Samaria is facing of gunrunning for the Fatah. Capucci did not appear in and was represented by his Aziz Shehadeh, who was anied by Israel-Arab lawyer, Moghrabi, of Jerusalem.

Shehadeh based his appeal on nt's religious standing and gulish his detention with n criminals" was causing his rs. He also noted that as Capucci has no intention of ng the charges brought him when his trial opens on the legal proceedings are to continue for a considerable

repeated his client's request transfer to a Greek Catholic ery or to his own patriar- noting that the Archbishop repared to finance any addi- expenses involved in such angement.

Attorney Gavriel Bach turned down the request for Capucci's transfer from the Kfar Yona prison where he is being held, pointing out that he had been given a private cell, did not come into contact with other prisoners and received special food according to his doctor's instructions. He was also regularly provided with wine and sacramental bread to enable him to perform his religious rites, the State Attorney noted.

As for Msgr. Capucci's special status, Mr. Bach said that while he was well aware of this, "a man's standing is first and foremost binding on the man himself." He noted that the Court could not discriminate in Msgr. Capucci's case, but considered it "a scandal" that suspects awaiting trial are held together with convicted criminals.

The State Attorney rejected Mr. Shehadeh's contention that his client faced only a four-year sentence for his alleged crime and that this made his continued detention unwarranted. Mr. Bach pointed out to the Ramallah lawyer that the law in question had been amended in 1972 and that his client did indeed face the 10-year sentence demanded by the prosecution. *(Itim)*

Zim crew strikes over llegations against purser

YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

— A wildcat strike held up m container ship, Zim-Mon- or nearly 40 hours in Haifa ver the weekend, costing the ny some $40,000.

strike was called by the se- of the deck hands' division Seamen's Union, Moshe Levy, early hours of Friday morn- ust before the big modern as due to sail via Europe to Levy demanded the purser be d from the ship, charging d misused ship's funds and money in the ship's kitty. The Officers' Union rejected his d, noting nothing had been against the purser, and there no grounds for his removal he was found guilty or d to stay in Israel by the

strike took the Zim manage- by surprise, since it was not ised by the Union secretariat. called on the Histadrut to "immediate and strong" action t Mr. Levy.

Saturday morning Levy offer- call off the strike provided urser would not be allowed to is wife (who had joined him he trip) with him, "as a ument." The Zim management ed this proposal.

It is believed that the background to the strike is the rivalry between Levy and the Officers' Union presently at loggerheads over the officers' qualifications demanded by the Ports Authority for the post of mooring master in Haifa Port.

The management noted that both the New York and Haifa police had investigated the disappearance of $2,000 of ship's funds (which had meanwhile been found) but had seen no grounds for charging the purser. The Haifa police informed the management that it had no objection to the purser's sailing.

Yesterday afternoon, Levy called off the strike after meeting with Zim general manager Yehuda Rotem. It was learned that the management made it clear that it would no longer give in to what it considered unfair and illegal pressures.

Meanwhile, at noon yesterday, the Union ordered the ratings on the Zim mediterranean container ship, Zilah to hold back the ship which was due to sail for Ashdod. The Union claimed that the kerosene galley stove was unsafe, but said it would lift the strike if the Labour Ministry's safety officer ruled the stove safe when he examines it today. The Zim management has already agreed to install an electric stove in the galley.

rivate banker' bail revoked

AVIV. — The District Court on Friday overruled a Magis- s Court decision Thursday to e on bail a local man alleged ve run a "private bank" deal- n foreign currency.

ge Michael Harpazi accepted ice appeal to remand Yitzhak enbaum for an additional 15 to enable them to investigate er. The police claim that the t could interfere with their s if he were to be freed.

defence counsel said his was willing to stay away Tel Aviv and report to the daily, so as to be able to in a synagogue on Rosh anah. *(Itim)*

ENCY in circulation rose last by IL20,165,978 to stand at IL3,136m., of which IL195m. backed by gold and the rest reign currency reserves.

CABMEN PLAN PROTEST RALLY IN CAPITAL

TEL AVIV. — This city's 1,500 taxi-drivers have decided to come up to Jerusalem next week and join in a mass protest rally at the Capital's Binyanei Ha'ooma.

This was decided on Friday at a stormy meeting held at Beit Brenner here. The drivers are particularly incensed at what they call "the flooding of the market with green licence-plates." They are demanding that they be given a voice in setting down the criteria whereby the Transport Ministry issues new licences.

They noted that hundreds of pirate out-of-town cabs are already competing with them within the 4.5 sq. km. Tel Aviv-Jaffa area, and apart from overloading the city's roads, this is making it increasingly difficult for them to make a living.

The rally is planned for next Monday, September 23.

Mayors say young couples can't afford gov't flats

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — Housing Minister am Ofer said last week that ear's end his ministry will 7,000 flats available to young es, predicting this would help prices. Mr. Ofer was speak- Thursday to the executive of Union of Local Authorities, but ptimistic forecasts were coldly ed by the mayors in his au- e.

said that financial aid would ranted to each couple accord- to their particular economic tion, and that the couples d be encouraged to make their s in development towns. But as not possible, the Minister sed, to build only in the out- areas. A total of 50,000 hous- units would be made available is ministry every year from on, and that about 17,000 of would be earmarked for young les.

hen the mayors took the floor, ever, many of them attacked the plan, saying that it was fine for well-off couples but that it would not solve the problem of the truly needy. A flat under the plan would still cost them IL140,000, of which the down payment would come to IL60,000—IL80,000.

Later on, the Union executive approved a plan drawn up a week ago by a committee of five mayors to tighten municipal belts and thus cover deficits amounting to IL150m. The funds would be raised through higher local rates, business taxes and fees for such services as mother and child clinics, libraries and after-school courses for youngsters. Additional money would be saved by limiting street lighting late at night, not hiring new employees and restricting school hot lunch programmes to the needy.

The move comes to alleviate the financial plight of the cities, which are in the red by some IL350m. The total budgets of the municipalities is IL3,000m. The municipalities now expect government help to cover the remainder of their deficits.

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Meeting newsmen shortly after their arrival at Ben-Gurion Airport last week are (left to right) Japanese Senators Masami Kobayashi, Keiwa Okuda and Toshio Yamaguchi. (AP radiophoto)

Three Japanese MPs here on visit:

'Egypt no longer sees war as solution'

By KINUE WEINSTEIN
Special to The Jerusalem Post

Japanese parliamentarians on a fact-finding tour of the Middle East said here that Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy told them his country was still willing to sit down with Israel at the conference table.

The three parliamentarians, who stopped in Cairo on their way here, said Fahmy told them that Egypt no longer sees war as the solution to the Arab-Israel conflict. Fahmy explained to them that Egypt's readiness to negotiate was a result of the October War, in which Egypt shed its humiliating image of a defeated nation. Their stay in Egypt gave the three Japanese the impression that "a great opportunity exists for achieving a stable peace in the Middle East," they said.

The three repesentatives of the Lower House of the Japanese Diet, Toshio Yamaguchi, Keiwa Okuda, and Masami Kobayashi, arrived in Israel on Thursday afternoon from Cairo (via Rome) for a three-day stay. All three are members of the Liberal-Democrats, Japan's ruling party, and are making their party's first official visit to Israel. During their stay they called at their request on Justice Minister Haim Zadok to discuss the Palestinians and the Israel-Arab dispute, and also met with a number of Government officials and private figures.

The purpose of the visit, they said, is to obtain a deeper understanding of Israel, and to bring back first-hand information to help the Diet in its foreign policy debates. The Diet members said that in recent years official relations between Japan and Israel have not been normal. Accordingly this visit, as they felt it, was necessary to get the Israeli point of view in order to approach the core of the Middle East conflict.

The three Japanese parliamentarians view the Palestinian issue as the key point in any settlement. They visited Hebron yesterday and had talks with its mayor, Sheikh Muhammad Ali Ja'abari, to acquaint themselves with all sides involved. They said they felt that the Palestinians, "cannot be ignored any longer."

It is a principle of Japanese foreign policy, they said, to be against territorial expansion through force. In general Japan's foreign policy is based on the decisions of the United Nations organization, which it recognizes as representing world opinion, they said.

But they had no concrete proposals to offer, as to whether there should be a third state for the Palestinians or not, or what the future boundaries in the area should be. "The purpose of our visit is not to intervene in the internal affairs of the Middle East, but to gather information so that we and our colleagues back in Japan can decide what is the most reasonable course to pursue, and what role Japan may have to play in encouraging peace."

Once peace comes, the Diet members say that Japan will be ready to help both sides through various technological and educational projects. It is likely, also, that normal trade relations will be maintained with the entire area, they said.

Last year's Arab oil boycott came as a shock to Japan, which gets 85 per cent of its oil from the Middle East, and caused considerable damage to the economy, they said. Japan, a leading consumer country with little natural resources of its own, opposes the use of natural resources as a diplomatic weapon.

The Arab boycott provided a good opportunity for reassessing Japan's relations with the producing countries, they said. A special task force for international cooperation was set up in the Department of the Interior. Its function is to replace the image of the Japanse "economic animal" with a healthy give-and-take relationship between Japan and producing countries.

Much of the Japanese public remains uninformed about the Middle East conflict, they said. For the average Japanese, living on an island, it is difficult to understand the nature of any foreign country, all the more so when it is as far away as the Middle East. Thus the Diet members feel that public opinion polls would not reveal extensive sympathy to either side in the conflict, in comparison to Europe, where the governments are slanted to the Arabs while the polls reveal strong pro-Israel sentiment among the public. They mentioned, however, that interest in the area has been rapidly increasing recently.

On Thursday evening Japanese Ambassador to Israel Kazuhide Komuro gave a dinner for the three at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem. Before the dinner the three described their first reactions to Israel. "We are impressed by the amazing growth of this country which has continued to develop in spite of the heavy burden of repeated wars. It is a young country, full of energy and spirit."

After concluding their visit to Israel this afternoon, they return directly to Japan.

OFFICIAL PLANS FOR REGION CRITICIZED

One way to develop Arava: High-speed train to Eilat

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A high-speed railway to Eilat, a safari-type park and other tourist facilities in the Arava and the building of a desert city were among suggestions made at a symposium at Tel Aviv University last week on the development of the desert for human habitation.

The suggestions were made by critics of the official development plan for the Arava, which they termed far too conservative. These plans envision little more than 2,000 families living in Arava settlements north of Eilat by the 1990s.

Water was cited as the limiting factor in the area's development by David Nachmias of the Jewish Agency Settlement Department, which has drawn up a master plan for the Arava. He noted that since the creation of the state, only 11 agricultural settlements have been set up in the Arava and their population is just about 2,000.

The plan calls for adding a handful of new settlements in the next few years and creating two agricultural blocs — moshavim in the northern Arava and kibbutzim in the southern Arava. The 60-km.-long stretch of the central Arava has no special agricultural advantage and is envisioned mainly as a nature preserve. The idea of building an urban centre in this stretch, while attractive theoretically, was not practical, because people could not be persuaded to live there, he said.

Shai Ben Eliyahu, who has lived for 10 years in Moshav Ein Yahav in the northern Arava, said that a city in the area was possible and necessary. From a human point of view, he said, it was necessary in the long run to remove from the Arava the sense of isolation and for this a large population was required. He expressed the belief that many people in Israel and abroad would be willing for idealistic reasons to settle in such a city.

Prof. Ezra Zohar of Tel Aviv University said that people would settle wherever jobs are provided them. He called for a population of 20-30,000 in the Arava. As for the problem of water, he called for large-scale desalinization. "Why does the Government insist that desalinization be economically self-supporting?" he asked. "Water is part of the infrastructure and should be subsidized. Instead, they're subsidizing textiles."

The isolation of the Arava, he said, could be punctured by a high-speed rail line to speed travellers from Eilat to Tel Aviv in an hour and a half. Eilat itself should have a population of 100,000-200,000 (today's population is about 24,000).

Adir Shapira of the Nature Reserves Authority called for more imaginative planning for the Arava. Tourism alone could provide jobs for hundreds of families in the area, he said. He suggested a safari-type park such as has been established at Ramat Gan as an example of tourist development and called for nature reserves in the northern and southern Arava — not the central Arava, as Mr. Nachmias had suggested. Many Europeans who have a surfeit of forests are eager for desert scenery, he said.

OLIVE TREES in the West Bank this year produced an estimated bumper crop of some 124,000 tons, the largest ever recorded. The harvest is to start in about two weeks.

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CITRUS EXPORTS began Friday as some 20,000 cases of grapefruit left by ship for Trieste *en route* to northern Europe. Another 25,000 cases are due to sail for England today.

War tape alerts listeners

A radio news programme yesterday, which played a tape of a news broadcast from last year at the outset of the Yom Kippur War, caused some listeners to think that they were hearing the real thing.

After a number of listeners called to complain or enquire, the next news broadcast pointed out the "war news" was only a recording from last year. The station apologized for any inconvenience it may have caused listeners.

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Sapir criticizes young leaders

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Jewish Agency Chairman Pinhas Sapir has sniped at the idealism of youth circle leadership in the Labour Party and the National Religious Party, mentioning the NRP's Zevulun Hammer by name.

Speaking to a meeting of the Labour Party's Leadership Bureau here, he called on young Israeli families to settle in development towns and wanted to know why Mr. Hammer and his supporters did not go to development towns instead of making "abortive settlement bids in places like Sebastia."

"Where are you?" he asked "Leket," Labour's youth division secretary. "Where are 2,000 families from our younger leadership? Why don't they go to Kiryat Shmona?" He compared their inactivity to the decision of MK Yosef Sarid, the youngest Labour MK, to move his family to Kiryat Shmona.

The Jewish Agency Chairman reported that the Rabbi of Gur had sent 100 families from his followers to live in the development town of Hatzor and 100 homes were already under construction. "Where are our 100 sabra families to follow suit?" he asked, declaring, "All of them will get housing. After all I do know the Minister of Housing."

Mr. Sapir revealed that before he left on his recent overseas mission, he discussed combining immigrant absorption plans and consolidation of the development towns with several ministers. Priority would go to Kiryat Shmona, Ma'alot, Shlomi (in Galilee), Mitzpeh Ramon and Yeruham (in the Negev). Mr. Sapir discounted calls for doing away with the Absorption Ministry.

Mr. Sapir said he was pleased to report that Moshe Dayan had agreed to wind up the *aliya* campaign in North America planned for the near future.

Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel reported on a meeting of the Histadrut economic leadership with Mr. Sapir on absorption plans. He promised that the Histadrut Executive would shortly hold a special session to evolve its own programme for immigrant absorption.

Labour Party Secretary-General Meir Zarmi took up Mr. Sapir's offer to have him open a full-scale debate at the party's Central Committee on immigrant absorption before which the party branches would discuss the problem.

Earlier the leadership bureau adopted a motion to co-opt as members Premier Yitzhak Rabin and Mr. Sapir, subject to Central Committee approval. It was universally agreed that the top policy-making forum of the Labour Party could hardly hold thorough discussions without the inclusion in its numbers of the Premier and the Jewish Agency Chairman.

Agriculture Minister Aharon Uzan meets Arab sheikhs in southern Sinai. (Kanfer)

300 men skilled in repair of cars to serve month

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. — Three hundred men above the military age of 55 — all skilled in the repair of vehicles — will join the army voluntarily on Thursday in an operation aimed at making all military vehicles fit for service in the shortest possible time.

The volunteers from settlements of the Jordan Valley, the Beth She'an Valley, Gilboa and Jezreel will be enlisted like reservists for one month. The programme has been coordinated by the four regional councils, which will provide additional groups of volunteers if necessary.

In addition, the army has authorized settlements along the Jordanian, Syrian and Lebanese borders to undertake security measures, such as fences, lighting, and patrol paths, around each settlement. Priority has been given to the 20 settlements closest to the borders. Settlements further away from the borders will be protected by different means.

It was added that all of the settlements will guard all educational and communal institutions, primarily by their own members, although paid guards will be employed in some cases.

THE GIANT PUMP, one of three, which broke down at the Kinrot station on the National Water Carrier weeks ago was last Thursday returned to service on completion of repairs.

44 families to get keys to new Ophira flats

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

OPHIRA. — After the holidays 44 families will receive keys to their apartments in the new housing project here which already houses 15 families. But for Ophira (Sharm-e-Sheikh) to succeed it must number 1,000 families by 1978.

This is the opinion of Reuven Aloni, head of the development administration of Merhav Shlomo who talked about this town's future last week during a two-day tour of the area by Minister of Agriculture and Development Aharon Uzan.

The Minister met with sheikhs of the 12 Beduin tribes in southern Sinai and promised to look into their request for dynamite to blow away the top soil in areas rich with turquoise.

Mr. Uzan also promised to look into the requests of Jewish settlers here that Ophira be recognized as a "first-class" (aleph-plus) development town for income tax and Housing Ministry purposes. He called for Jewish settlement of the region to be accelerated.

Mr. Aloni claimed that Merhav Shlomo is being developed at a snail's pace. "For Ophira to succeed it must by 1978 number 1,000 families. To do this we must start building additional apartments today."

The outgoing military governor of Merhav Shlomo, Aluf-Mishne Benjamin Metiv, said that there are now about 11,000 Beduin in the region, with the majority making a living outside their homes as employed workers and supplementing their income with some agriculture near their homes.

Aluf-Mishne Metiv said, "When we came here seven years ago we found that the Egyptians during their long rule had only built two schools in this vast area. Today there are already 19 schools."

He said one of the school's major problems was to persuade parents to send their children to school, and the children to remain there. (At present there is no compulsory education here.)

"Here we use the carrot on the stick method," he said. "We have provided all the schools with playgrounds, slides, swings — which the Beduin children never saw — and like children all over the world, they have become used to them and school attendance is on the rise."

Two accident victims die in Khan Yunis

KHAN YUNIS. — Two young women from a village south of the Gaza Strip, both hospitalized here for accidents suffered last month, died on Friday.

They were Fatmah Abdul-Aziz Abu Bleimah, 20, who drank a pesticide, and Miriam Yousef Abu Dor, 24, who was severely burned by a kerosene stove. *(Itim)*

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Ethiopia's new rulers maintain low profile

ADDIS ABABA (UPI). — The new military government adopted a low profile yesterday in an apparent attempt to allow the populace time to absorb the new political realities in this ancient kingdom.

The non-curfew hours were extended and tanks and armoured vehicles withdrew from the strategic points around the city where they have stood since the armed forces deposed Emperor Haile Selassie last Thursday. The airport was reopened to international traffic.

Student sources said an underground Communist student group was trying to organize a demonstration for tomorrow to urge the rapid creation of a provisional civilian government.

"We don't want to trade one dictatorship for another," a pamphlet circulated by the group said.

Diplomatic sources said the demonstration could develop into the first real crack in the solid support the military has enjoyed in its seven-month-old creeping coup.

This movement reached its climax when a military delegation removed the 82-year-old Emperor, who has ruled this country with an iron fist for 58 years, from the national palace and placed him under house arrest.

Diplomatic sources said they believed Selassie — "the Lion of Judah" and King of Kings" — was being held with 10 to 16 other members of the royal family at a vacation palace in the air force town of Debre Zeit, 48 km. southeast of the capital.

They believed the student Communist group, which has been distributing increasingly anti-military pamphlets under the titled of "Memocrasia," contained a nucleus of about 200 members, but appeared to be growing rapidly.

"It looks like Monday might be a crunch day," one diploma said. "It could be the military's first real test. They need the students and can't afford a confrontation."

Lt. Gen. Aman Michael Andom has emerged as the apparent military strongman since Selassie's ouster, but diplomats said the real power could still lie with as yet unidentified officers serving on the estimated 80-member armed forces coordinating committee.

Ethiopian soldiers keep guard at former Emperor Haile Selassie's palace in Addis Ababa. (AP radiophoto)

Opec doesn't want raise passed to consumer

VIENNA (UPI). — A barrel of crude oil will cost 33 cents more after October 1, but a gallon of petrol should cost the same, the world's major oil exporting nations said yesterday.

Crude oil will cost oil companies $9.74 a barrel — up 33 cents — from October 1, an Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) communique said. The communique added that starting next year the inflation rate would automatically be taken into account when fixing new crude oil prices, noting that "the alarming rate of inflation continually erodes the purchasing power of the oil revenues of the producing countries."

Jamshid Amouzegar, spokesman for the 12 OPEC member countries, made the announcement after two days of talks here between OPEC ministers. OPEC's 12 members — Abu Dhabi, Algeria, Eucador, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Nigeria, Quatar, Saudi Arabia and Venezuela — between them produce some 85 per cent of world oil exports.

Amouzegar said the theoretical posted price of crude oil would remain frozen at $11.65 a barrel for another three months.

"The increase," he said, "can be taken out of excessive profits made by oil companies and should not be passed on to the consumer. The companies are making 90 cents on a barrel of oil, and can afford to pay us the extra 33 cents without raising consumer prices."

(The British Petroleum Company, BP, reported last week a 277 per cent increase in profits during the first six months of this year.)

Ministers of OPEC member states will meet in Vienna in December to fix crude oil prices for the four quarters of 1975, OPEC officials said. Since the former system of negotiating price increases with the oil companies collapsed last year, the ministers have been meeting quarterly to fix crude oil prices for the following three months. Their discussions have often been long and heated, with different countries pressing for varying increases and methods of application.

But oil industry sources said they had now apparently agreed that future crude oil prices should be pegged to the rate of inflation and the latest increase — to $9.74 a barrel — is, in fact, equivalent to the predicted rate of world inflation for the last three months of this year. This means, the sources said, that the world's major oil exporting nations have taken a major step towards formalizing a system of escalating crude oil prices in step with world inflation.

OPEC's biggest oil exporter, Saudi Arabia, said it would not apply the increase.

A white student is pulled into police custody by the hair in Boston on Friday after she threw a rock at a high school bus carrying black students on the second day of court-ordered busing in the city. At least 12 persons were arrested in the incident. AP radiophoto)

Rabin satisfied

(Continued from Page 1)

an order from Israel without prior Congressional authorization."

Israel is asking the U.S. for $1.5 billion a year in military aid. This is a five-fold increase over present military aid to Israel. Congress in proposing for Israel $100m. in military grants and $200m. in military credit sales (low-interest loans during the current fiscal year.

In his meeting with Congressional leaders on Friday morning, Mr. Rabin outlined the significant increase in Israel's requests. He explained why Israel needs such sums, and, according to informed sources, the Senators and Representatives seemed sympathetic.

But experienced Congressional observers here noted that once commitments must be translated from general principles to concrete funds there could be a slippage in Congressional support. They pointed out that the U.S. economy is not very healthy right now and many Americans have become weary of foreign aid.

Israel has always had many close friends on Capitol Hill, but the Administration will have to make a concerted effort on behalf of the Jewish state if these large amounts of future aid to Israel are to be forthcoming, these observers said.

Israel's long-term military needs from the U.S. are totally different today than they were before the October War. The Phantom jet — once the mainstay of the Israel Air Force — is seen today as not being adequate to defend Israel in the near future following Soviet delivery to Syria of Mig 23s and Mig 25s.

Israeli officials have already visited the Grumman Corporation plant on Long Island, where they discussed the possibility of purchasing the expensive F-14 Tomcat fighter plane, a versatile plane being built for the U.S. Navy, the "New York Times" reported yesterday. The F-14 is believed superior to both the Mig 23 and Mig 25.

There are press reports in Washington that Secretary of Defence James Schlesinger intends to reduce the annual procurement of F-14s during the next four years. This had encouraged Israeli military officials here because Grumman builds only a certain number of planes a year and if the U.S. buys fewer of them, more will be available for Israel.

Israeli Air Force delegations are also inspecting the YF-16 and the YF-17, both highly sophisticated aircraft, many times more expensive than the Phantom, press reports here said.

Troops cross Canal as Egyptian army stages exercise

POST Arab Affairs Correspondent

Egyptian troops yesterday staged a Suez Canal crossing exercise at the southern tip of the waterway near the town of Port Tawfik, Cairo radio reported. This was the first known exercise of the kind since last October's war.

It was not clear whether the exercise was coordinated with the United Nations Emergency Force (Unef) which usually reports in advance to all concerned parties on troop exercises near areas restricted militarily by the disengagement accord east of the Suez Canal.

The according bans troop-crossing to the eastern side of the Suez Canal where the Egyptian military presence is restricted to 7,000 soldiers and a limited number of tanks and artillery.

Yesterday's crossing was staged by units of the Egyptian Third Army which had been under siege on the east bank in the last phases of the October war.

The exercise was believed to have been a limited operation staged in honour of President Anwar Sadat at the end of his five-day tour of the Suez Canal zone.

Sadat himself crossed at Port Tawfik into the former Israeli "Quay" strongpoint whose 40-man unit was the last to give up after a seven-day siege by the Egyptians.

There, Sadat told Cairo Radio he felt "proud" at that "victory" adding: "Look at the Israeli tanks on both sides of the road leading to this position which the Egyptian armed forces destroyed during the war."

Sadat was accompanied by the Minister of War, Marshal Al Ismail Aly, and other top m officials including First Deputy mier Abdul-Aziz Hegazi.

Meanwhile, the Egyptian of Staff, Lt.-General Mohar Abdul-Ghani Gamasy, told a of students at Suez on Friday the Egyptian armed forces continuing training in prepar "for any eventuality." He sai Egyptian army faced no prob in "liberating" Sinai.

"The armed forces face no blem or obstacle that would vent them from completing liberation of the occupied ter accomplishing their objective full," said Gamasy, who nego and signed the disengagement ment with Israel.

The Egyptian Chief of Staf the Israel forces were now much more difficult position before last October's war "b they are in the open at pres

"Our position is much bette than before the October war masy said.

He said the strategy of the tian air-force in the Octobe was to raid Israeli positio to avoid dogfights with Israe planes. "We left that to t defence systems," he said.

Gamasy said the Egyptian mand had planned to destro Israeli task force which cro the western Canal bank durin October War. But this had prevented by the disenga agreement.

Gamasy said the October w helped accomplish Egypt's objectives and had destroye legend of Israel's invincible

EEC leaders discus unity as they dine

PARIS (UPI). — Leaders of the European Common Market went to a "summit dinner" in a Paris palace yesterday to sound each other out on a new timetable for European unity. The dinner was expected to lead to a full-scale formal summit here later this year.

The leaders were invited by French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing as the first step in his ambitious plan for a "relancement" (relaunching) of the drive toward unity, bogged down for the past year by the economic crisis and political weaknesses which have afflicted the Continent.

Giscard's invitations went to the heads of government of the other eight Common Market nations, plus Common Market President Francois-Xavier Ortoli.

It was the fourth European summit — and, with no agenda or communique, by far the most informal. Its main task was to begin the job of repairing damage left from previous summits — most notably the 1972 Paris summit that drew up a detailed timetable for "European union" by 1980.

Almost none of the projects which that timetable listed — a regional aid policy, econom monetary union, energy c tion, ecological cooperation been realized and few obser pect the 1980 deadline to h

In this atmosphere, th paper "Le Monde" said, wants to "review, correct, reinforce and, above all, m cise" the 1972 timetable an the other leaders to hear th before making any formal p later this year.

Giscard issued his invitat talks with the economic st of Europe, West German C Helmut Schmidt. Reports fr said Schmidt planned to a thorough reform of the Market's Common Ag Policy, which benefits most farmers.

The Continent's current problems — especially inf were expected to be disc the leaders, who invited m their translators to join were proposals for reform Common Market's cumber cision-making machinery eaucracy and possible fi toward political unity.

Bamboo shoots, ice blocks pamper VIPs from China

LONDON (AP). — Two VIPs — very important pandas — arrived here by plane from China yesterday with more special attention than most movie stars or travelling presidents get.

Their jet aircraft carried stocks of bamboo shoots, the pandas' favourite snack, plus panda-sized oxygen-masks and even ice-blocks for them to sit on if the going got too hot inside their pale green packing-cases.

An extra air-conditioning unit was fitted on their British Airways Boeing 707 jet and a battery of cameramen was on hand to photograph the arrival of the future stars of the London Zoo in Regent's Park.

Chia Chia, whose name means "excellent" and is pronounced "cha cha," is only 22 months old but playful. After being uncrated at the airport here, he took a swipe at a zookeeper, barely missing making a meal of the man's trousers.

Ching Ching is the older at 24 months and the female of the giant panda pair. Her name means "crystal bright."

They were given to former Prime Minister Edward Heath at the end of his visit to Peking in May and it is hoped here that they will mate before the two pandas in the Washington Zoo which the Chinese presented to former President Richard Nixon.

The black and white, furry, roly poly species has been bred in captivity in China but not outside their Asian homeland. Earlier attempts to arrange a marriage between the Moscow Zoo's male panda An-An, and the late female giant panda Chi Chi of the London Zoo, proved futile.

Chia Chia and Ching Ching got first-class service on their trip. The British ambassador to Peking, Edward Youde, saw them off. Dr. Michael Brambell, curator of mammals at the London Zoo, and three keepers from the Peking Zoo accompanied the pandas on the plane.

The pandas, given to Edward "Ted" Heath, by the Chinese, are already being referred to in the British press as "Teddy's bears."

Final day of Asian Games today

More golds expected for Israel

By GEORGE LEONOF
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The final day of the Seventh Asian Games today should yield Israel's richest gold harvest of the turbulent competition in Teheran.

The Israeli answer to yesterday's expulsion from the Asian Football Confederation (see Page 1) will be to take the field heavily topped to snatch the continent's soccer crown in the final against Iran, while the hoopsters are odds-on favourites to defeat South Korea in the basketball final.

If events follow the forecasts, Israel today should almost double its present bag of five gold medals by winning two other events — the women's 100-metre dash and the men's 5,000-metre run.

Esther Roth-Shachamurov on Friday maintained her sprint supremacy by turning in the best time of 12.26 seconds in the 100 metre heats, following her earlier victories in the 100-metre hurdles and 200-metre dash. In the 5,000-metre preliminaries, Yair Wishnitzer turned in the best performance for the distance.

The two runners compensated the Israeli delegation for the bitter failure of Israel's tennis star, top-seeded Paulina Peisachova, who went down to Indonesia's Lita Sugiarto in the women's singles final, 6-7, 4-6. The Indonesian girl provided one of the sensations of the Games when she rallied after being completely outclassed by Peisachova at the outset, losing the first five games of the opening set and trailing by love-40 in the sixth.

The day's other disappointment was in the 800-metre run. Asia's record-holder for the event, Hans Shezifi, finished a poor fifth in 2:10.46, just ahead of Rachel Halle. The gold went to Japan's Nobuko Kawana, who broke the tape in 2:08.05, more than a second short of Shezifi's record of 2:06.50 set in Bangkok four years ago.

Israel's football eleven faces Iran today in top shape, following a two-day "enforced" rest as a result of successive defaults by North Korea and Kuwait in the semi-final round. As a result Israel entered the final after playing only one of three scheduled games, defeating defending co-champions Burma by 3-0. Iran won her crack at the soccer gold by defeating Iraq on Friday by the only goal of the match in the 76th minute.

Malaysia entered the race for the soccer bronze by a surprise victory over North Korea on Friday, 3-2, and today faces Kuwait.

In the basketball, South Korea prevented Israel from taking the gold by default by a thrilling extra-time victory over China on Friday, 119-114. Twelve seconds from the end of regular time the Koreans were on the short end of a 101-100 score when one of its players was fouled under the hoop. The Korean missed the first of two foul throws, but sank the second basket to tie the tally.

Iran turned in the top week-end performance at the Games, adding five gold medals in free-style wrestling to the eight it had captured earlier in Greco-Roman grappling. Iranians also set new Games records in the men's discus throw and high jump. Jalal Keshmiri hurled the plate 56.82 metres (old record 52.32m.), while Teymour Ghiassi cleared the bar at 2.21 metres (2.08m.) to upset China's Asia champion Chi Chin.

Sri Lanka (Ceylon) joined the gold honours list when Wickemasingh Wimbladasa won the 400-metre run in a Games record of 46.21 seconds, shattering a 16-year-old mark set by India's Milka Singh in 1958. In the 100-metre spring, Anat Ratanapol rocketed off the starting block to defeat Japan's reigning champion for the distance, Masahide Jinno, by a strike. He clocked 10-42 seconds, equalling the 12-year old Games record.

AGREEMENT. — Pakistan and India yesterday reached agreement to restore postal and telegraphic links and travel between the two countries, 32 months after a bitter and bloody war fought over Bangladesh, according to an announcement from Islamabad.

Greece reveals plans to rejoin Council of Europe

ATHENS (UPI). — The Government yesterday announced its decision to rejoin the Council of Europe and said Foreign Minister George Mavros will meet Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger next week.

In a letter to the Secretary General of the Council, Mavros said, "The Greek Government has decided to take the necessary procedures to regain Greece's position on the Council of Europe and once again become a contributing member to the convention of human rights."

Greece pulled out of the Council of Europe in December 1969, following pressures by Council members to return to democratic conditions. Late Foreign Minister Panayotis Pipinelis had earlier proposed a timetable for the return of Greece to parliamentary government but his proposals were rejected by the Council.

Mavros said he would address the Council's general assembly in Strasbourg later this month.

Before going to Strasbourg, Mavros said he will fly to New York to meet Kissinger on September 23. The main subject of their talks will be an in-depth discussion of the Cyprus issue, a spokesman said.

HAIG. — The White Ho pected to announce soon mer army General Alex Haig will leave his job as Ford's chief of staff to active duty as the comma U.S. troops in Europe, t ington Post" reported ye Washington.

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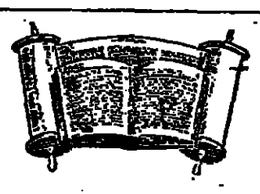

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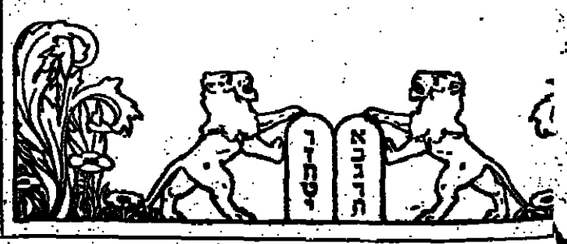

...elimo tries ...ercise persuade ...ites to stay

...NCO MARQUES (UPI). — ...al has begun handing over ...e power in Mozambique to ...ack Frelimo guerrilla move- ...with hundreds of the group's ...troops arriving in the capi- ...anwhile, the territory's future ...have launched a public rela- ...ampaign to try to persuade ...ed white settlers to stay in ...bique after independence.

...dightfall on Friday, more than ...elimo troops had arrived and ...more were expected in the ...few days. After a liquor- ...nd relaxed lunch with Portu- ...marines, the Africans, dressed ...art green uniforms, moved ...y into the streets of African ...es where at least 78 persons ...killed earlier in the week in ...g and racial violence.

...er Frelimo fighters also ar- ...in the northern port of Bei- ...e territory's second most im- ...nt city, to fulfill a similar ...diplomatic sources said.

...is marks the first effective ...of the transfer of power in ...mbique," a Western diplomat ...of the Frelimo arrival. "It is ...no which will be calling the ...here now."

MAJORITY GOV'T

...d-Admiral Crespo, the new ...guese High Commissioner to ...erritory, confirmed this when ...d a news conference here on ...y that a new black-majority ...nment dominated by Frelimo ...l be installed "within a week."

...anwhile, small groups of Fre- ...sympathisers began touring the ...talking with whites and trying ...ersuade them to stay in Mo- ...bique after the new black gov- ...ment is installed here.

...ere were about 200,000 whites ...before the April coup in Lis- ...but untold thousands have fled ...e then, bringing the economy ...to collapse.

...We are obviously concerned ...it the situation," an important ...l Frelimo guerrilla leader told ...roup of journalists yesterday. ...need them. We are trying to ...their fears. We want them to ...here and help us build up the ...try."

...ut the same man, who did not ...h to be identified, said the Fre- ...movement itself, on the eve of ...ming power after 10 years of ...rrilla warfare, faced problems ...lf.

...To borrow an expression, there ...a lot of chiefs and not enough ...ians," he said, "and many of ...chiefs are "Johnnie-come-late- ...' types, jumping on the band- ...gon. There are going to be prob- ...s within the organization itself ...e it takes power."

...n Lisbon, Portuguese Foreign Mi- ...ter Mario Soares told newsmen on ...day that the government of tran- ...on will function until Portugal ...mally recognizes Mozambique's ...ependence in June next year.

PEACEFUL CHANGE

"We want this period of transi- ...n to be peaceful, but unfortuna- ...ly this has not been the case in ...e past days. A group of white ...cists, fearing the loss of their po- ...tions, did what everybody has ...ard about. But we still hope the ...ansition will be peaceful," he said.

Soares said that while Frelimo ...represents in fact the people of ...ozambique," decolonization in An- ...ola will be more difficult "because ...ere is not only one movement re- ...resenting the people, but various ...ies."

"We shall soon initiate contacts ...ith the leaders of these movements ...o see if we can find a solution," ...e added.

The Foreign Minister also said ...hat the overthrow of the right- ...ing regime of Marcelo Caetano by ...he armed forces earlier this year ...as vastly improved Portugal's image ...n the world, and that Lisbon's de- ...olonization policy "has opened all ...oors to us." He noted that Zambia ...as acting as a go-between in Por- ...ugal's efforts to establish contacts ...ith China with a view to full dip- ...omatic relations.

Newsmen, police and passers-by crowd around the Madrid restaurant in which the explosion took place. (AP radiophoto)

Spanish police hunt Basques after 11 die in Madrid bar blast

MADRID (UPI). — The government yesterday mobilized thousands of police to track down Basque separatists responsible for the bloodiest act of terrorism in the 35-year history of the regime of Generalissimo Francisco Franco.

Police Chief Francisco Duenas said 11 persons — five women and six men — died and 71 were injured when Basque terrorists bombed a bar across the street from the headquarters of the National Security Police on Friday. The dead included one policewoman. Eleven policemen were wounded.

A police statement said Juan Manuel Galarraga Mendizabal a member of the outlawed separatist organization Basque Homeland and Liberty (ETA) was being sought, and offered a reward of one million pesetas for information leading to his capture.

Government officials said it was the bloodiest terror act since the end of the Spanish Civil War in 1939 even though the bomb assassination of Prime Minister Luis Carrero Blanco nine months ago was of greater political impact. It came at a time of tension over plans for reform of Spain's political institutions, and increasing activity by Gen. Franco's foes.

The bomb was apparently hidden in a parcel left at the bar in the crowded "La Tropical," a favourite haunt of plainclothes inspectors and office workers from the huge headquarters of the *Direcion General De Seguridad* (Security and Secret Police) in Puerta del Sol Square in the heart of Madrid.

Police sources said thousands of police all over Spain were on the lookout for the bombers. Road blocks went up around Madrid. Travellers at railway stations and airports were checked.

Police Chief Duenas denied reports that 12 persons, including three Chileans, had been arrested near the site of the bombing. Spain's powerful Roman Catholic church joined the government in strongly condemning the bombing. Madrid's politically liberal Cardinal-Archbishop Enrique Vicente y Tarancon called it an "inhuman and anti-Christian act (which) can only destroy social relations at a time when they are so necessary for Spain."

The bombing came at a time of political tension caused by repeated violence between separatists and police in the northern Spanish Basque region, and by pressures surrounding a programme of political liberalization announced by the government of Prime Minister Carlos Arias Navarro.

The terrorists struck as Gen. Francisco Franco, 81, chaired his first cabinet meeting in 2½ months at his Pardo Palace residence on the outskirts of town. Franco, seriously ill during the summer, last week took back his powers as chief of state from Prince Juan Carlos, to whom he had delegated them from a hospital bed in July.

Arias rushed from Pardo Palace to the police headquarters to survey the scene, and take a hand in the measures taken to capture the terrorists. The Premier, himself a former director-general of the Security Police, worked in the same headquarters for six years before becoming Mayor of Madrid and, eventually, a member of government and Premier.

The blast occurred at the height of the late Spanish lunchtime rush hour, when the restaurant was crowded. The walls of the police headquarters were splattered with bits of fish and seafood, the street covered with blood and splinters. The tragedy recalled the 1968 bombing of the passports' office in the same police headquarters by two Communists who were later sentenced to death and executed. The blast injured several persons.

The bombing came two days after Arias reiterated his determination to go ahead with plans to allow the formation of political associations — nascent political parties — by the beginning of next year. The plans have been severely criticized by right-wingers, who fear they will eventually destroy Franco's one-party regime and throw Spain into chaos.

Pro-Soviet group in Yugoslavia on trial for plot against Tito

BELGRADE (UPI). — Soviet-Yugoslav relations soured yesterday after an angry denunciation by President Tito of a group of 27 pro-Russian Communists standing trial on charges of attempting to overthrow his regime, Government sources said.

The sources said the Soviets had twice denied any involvement with the group but that relations had cooled. They said the Yugoslav Government was now awaiting the findings of the secret trial before deciding what final attitude to take.

Tito on Thursday denounced the group of old-guard Stalinist functionaries and some ex-security officials who, he said, had formed a clandestine Communist Party and aimed to bring in a secretary-general from abroad.

In an angry call for "exemplary punishment" the 82-year old Yugoslav leader stopped short of naming names or of direct accusations of the Soviets.

But the sources said the group's head was Vlado Dabcevic, an ex-partisan, who escaped to the Soviet Union after serving 10 years in jail in Yugoslavia and now lives in Belgium. Another of the leaders is Mileta Perovic, a purged Yugoslav military attache, who escaped with Dabcevic and is now a resident of Kiev.

Most of the group were purged after opposing Tito's decision in 1948 to break with the Kremlin and pull Yugoslavia out of the Cominform — the former Moscow-led bloc of the world's Communist Parties. It represents the first organized attempt to set up an alternative opposition party since the break with Moscow.

The sources said that members of the group, mainly from the southern coastal republic of Montenegro but also including some Serbs from neighbouring Kossovo, made frequent trips to the Soviet Union and had contact with East European embassies in Belgrade. Montenegro has traditionally close historical ties wih Russia.

The group, about 50-strong, was rounded up after holding a "5th Party Congress" in the southern port of Bar earlier this summer, in which they denied the legitimacy of Tito's regime after the 4th Congres which preceded the 1948 break.

They face a maximum penalty of death if convicted on charges of association against the state and the people and attempts to overthrow Tito's regime.

One unconfirmed report said Yugoslav authorities were alerted to the group's existence when a Soviet diplomatic car crashed in southern Yugoslavia and was found to contain hostile propaganda.

U.S. spy plane gets to L.A. 4 hours before leaving

SANTA MONICA, California (UPI). — The U.S. Air Force SR71 spy plane flashed across the Southern Californian coast yesterday setting a London-to-Los Angeles speed record.

It arrived more than four hours earlier than it took off in terms of local time and averaged nearly 2,414 kph.

The "Blackbird" high-altitude reconnaissance plane swept through the Los Angeles radar "gate" at an altitude 7,620 metres at 8:59 a.m. local time only three hours and 48 minutes after the official start of its 9,032 km. flight.

The spy plane, twice delayed by mechanical problems, took off from Mildenhall Royal Air Force base in England.

Nixon pardon attributed to mental state

LOS ANGELES (AP). — Richard Nixon's health — particularly his emotional condition — was the main reason President Ford decided to pardon the former president, the "Los Angeles Times" said in its editions yesterday.

The story, from the newspaper's Washington bureau, reported that a long-time Ford associate said, "It's obvious that what happened is that someone spoke to Ford and described Nixon's condition as very grave, very serious."

A Republican who talked to former Defence Secretary Melvin R. Laird was quoted as saying Laird had the firm impression that the pardon was purely "an act of mercy and compassion," that Nixon was "in very bad shape" and had "lost contact with reality."

A former political associate of Nixon was startled to get a telephone call from Nixon on Thursday, the newspaper said.

Nixon rambled on for about 20 minutes, the source said, complaining about Ford's conduct of the presidency.

Doctors say Nixon's leg is getting worse

SAN CLEMENTE, Calif. (UPI). — Former president Nixon's leg ailment has worsened, he is suffering from "severe physical strain and fatigue," but he continues to refuse hospitalization and remains secluded in Casa Pacifica, according to his doctors.

The first new medical information about Nixon's phlebitis condition was released Friday by Dr. Walter Tkach, Nixon's personal physician who flew here from Washington, D.C. to examine the former president. "There is a new veinous clot in the former president's upper left leg," Tkach said in a medical statement.

Nixon returned to his tightly guarded compound with Mrs. Nixon late Thursday after a five-day stay at the equally secluded Palm Desert estate of Walter Annenberg, U.S. Ambassador to Great Britain. Sources said Nixon remained uncomfortable and restless but the new inflammation in his leg was reported slightly improved.

Tkach was joined in his medical examination of Nixon by Dr. John Lundgren, a Long Beach, California, internist, who examined the former president in Palm Springs Tuesday.

"I have found the former president to be suffering from severe physical strain and physical fatigue, "Tkach said, "But he is mentally alert and has been working in his office or at home each day."

The physician said "serious consideration" had been given to putting Nixon in a hospital, but it was ruled out "based on former president Nixon's wishes." He said Nixon will continue to receive medication and will be under doctors' care with a weekly evaluation of his condition made by both Lundgren and Tkach.

Vietnam amnesty plans to be aired this week

WASHINGTON (AP). — President Ford will unveil a conditional amnesty programme this week requiring Vietnam War resisters to serve from six to 24 months of alternative service, according to administration sources.

The minimum is sharply lower than the 18 months proposed by the Defence and Justice Departments. The length of time a deserter or draft evader serves will depend in part on his military or selective service record, one source said.

Stream of requests for pardons follows clemency for Nixon

NEW YORK (AP). — President Ford's pardon of Richard Nixon has produced a stream of requests for pardons for everyone from a former federal judge to all the inmates at Kansas State Prison.

And a few judges, although they lack the power of pardon, have freed inmates, reduced sentences after noting the President's action.

"What I'm about to do is unusual, but that seems the vogue these days," said Los Angeles Municipal Judge Gilbert Alston. "If a man who almost wrecked the country can be pardoned, this defendant can be released to get proper treatment."

With that, Alston ordered John Gabron, a 27-year-old Vietnam veteran who took three hostages at riflepoint during what was described as "combat flashback," released into the custody of his psychiatrist. Before Gabron could be released, however, a higher court nullified Alston's order.

In New York City, U.S. District Court Judge Marvin Frankel reduced a 30-day prison sentence to a $1,000 fine in the case of Craig Braun, who had pleaded guilty to a tax evasion count. Noting that Braun's case involved at most $22,000 in evaded taxes, Frankel said, "The alleged crimes embraced by the recent pardon may have included among the lesser tax items tax evasions to the extent of several hundreds of thousands of dollars."

Braun's reaction? "In a very personal way I feel justice has been served." Before Frankel's action, Braun said of Nixon being pardoned, "I felt, in view of the facts already known about his alleged tax evasion, that my sentence was a real injustice to me."

Silvio Conte, a Massachussetts U.S. representative, introduced a proposed constitutional amendment that would limit the pardon and reprieve power of the President. Under his proposal submitted on Friday, any pardon or reprieve could be blocked by a two-thirds within 90 days of the presidential vote of both houses of Congress action.

In Lansing, Kansas, Gov. Robert Docking was asked by two inmates to pardon all 636 state prison inmates "in order that justice may be served in the proper manner."

A letter signed by Edward Robinson and Richard McCarther said that "even before this man (Nixon) could be charged, he was pardoned." The letter added, "We want to make this crystal clear. We have been punished enough." Docking was out of the state Friday and was unable to comment on the letter.

In Chicago, a spokeswoman for Citizens for Otto Kerner says 2,500 signatures have been gathered on petitions calling for Kerner's pardon. Kerner, a former governor and federal judge, was convicted in connection with race track stock dealings and is serving a three-year prison term in Lexington, Kentucky.

In Missoula, Montana, Bernie Morning Gun, who says he heads the local chapter of the American Indian Movement (AIM), says petitions are being circulated asking Ford to grant amnesty to AIM members charged in connection with the 1973 takeover of Wounded Knee, S.D.

Peter Ellsworth, a southern Michigan prison inmate convicted of armed robbery asked Gov. William Milliken for a pardon. "The ex-president and I are brothers in crime," a neatly typed letter said.

"What's good enough for Nixon should be good enough for me," Robert Miranda told Common Pleas Judge George Buchwalter of Trumbull County in Warren, Ohio, on Friday. Miranda, 20, was given three years' probation on a drug conviction.

Joseph Mack, 28, also noted the presidential pardon and asked Superior Court Judge Henry Naruk for dismissal of an armed robbery charge against him. "How this power is exercised is an executive question, left to presidents and governors," answered Naruk. "It is not for me to pass judgement on this power no matter what my personal opinion."

Judge Andrew Celli of Monroe County in Rochester, New York, put Gordon Boerman on five years' probation after he pleaded guilty to attempted criminal sale of a dangerous drug. Boerman could have been seven years in jail. Celli said, "Maybe this is a day for forgiveness in accordance with the action taken by our President a few days ago."

Nato defence ministers hear sales pitch for U.S. jet

WASHINGTON (AP). — Four European Defence Ministers in the market for 350 new jet fighters have seen the "showroom" and got the sales pitch from their U.S. counterpart.

According to a Pentagon spokesman, Defence Secretary James Schlesinger told the shoppers from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization that, not only will the new lightweight U.S. fighters be technologically superior and competitively priced, but cost-sharing maintenance arrangements could be worked out.

In a day-long session, the Ministers were told that the United States would deploy in Europe upwards of 200 of the new fighters — prototypes of which they saw in California on Thursday. Therefore, the spokesman said the Ministers were told, this country and the countries that bought the aircraft could save money with central support facilities. Furthermore, Schlesinger raised the possibility of perhaps producing parts of the jets in the purchasing Nato countries, the spokesman said.

The Ministers also are looking at a new version of France's Mirage fighter, and a Swedish Saab jet, as they try to decide what plane will replace their aging Lockheed F104s.

The U.S. expects to sell 3,000 of the lightweight fighters, now estimated to cost $5m. apiece, the Pentagon spokesman said. Customers, in addition to the four seen on Friday, include Iran and other Middle Eastern countries, and the air forces of South American and Asian nations.

The lightweight prototypes, General Dynamics' YF16 and Northrop's YF17 were developed as highly manoeuvrable alternatives to such sophisticated fighters as the F14 and F15, hit by soaring costs that have boosted their price tags to between $12m. and $15m. each.

For itself, the Pentagon plans to choose one of the fighters in January and buy 650 for the Air Force, with the Navy perhaps buying a modified version. The winning manufacturer is expected to begin deliveries early in the 1980s. At least one of the Nato countries, which he would not name, might make its choice next month, the spokesman said, but the others, like the Air Force, are expected to wait until the end of the year.

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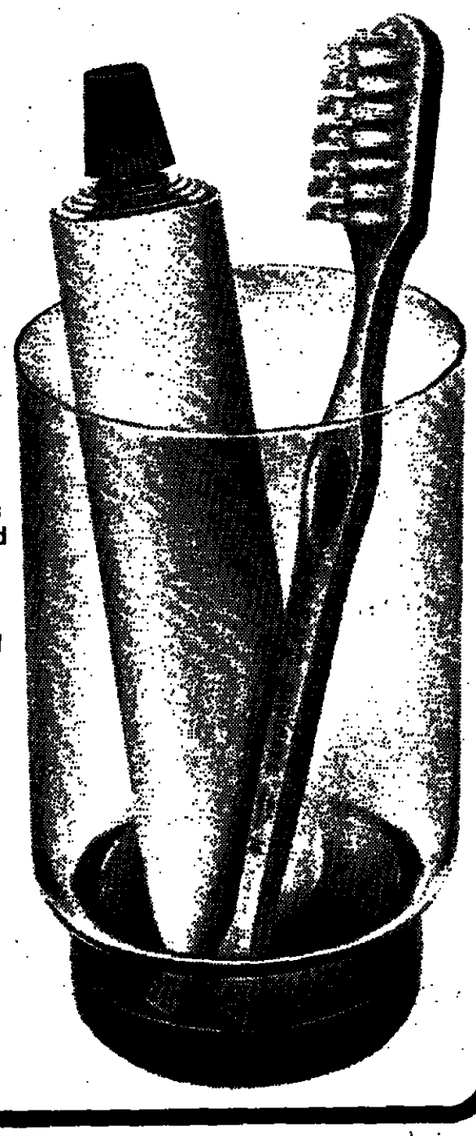

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LIST OF MAXIMUM RETAIL PRICES FOR GROCERIES

BREAD

Dark bread, standard	1 kg.	.55
Dark bread, standard	750 gm.	.50
White bread	750 gm.	.55
White bread	250 gm.	.35
Halla, round or braided	500 gm.	.60
Roll	60 gm.	.13
Kimmel bread	500 gm.	.60

EGGS

Size 1	65 gm. or more	.28
Size 2	60-65 gm.	.27
Size 3	55-60 gm.	.26
Size 4	50-55 gm.	.24
Size 5	45-50 gm.	.21

MILK AND MILK DRINKS

Pasteurized milk or low-fat milk (1%)	500 ml. bag	0.55
Pasteurized milk	1 litre bag	1.00
Sterilized milk	585 ml. bottle	0.90
Low fat (1%) sterilized milk	585 ml. bottle	0.88
"Rivion"	500 ml. pack	1.00
Pasteurized Choco	200 ml. bag	0.40
Sterilized Choco	200 ml. bottle	0.50

SOUR MILK PRODUCTS

Eshel (Tnuva), Idit (Tara), Leshed (United Dairies)	170 ml. cup	0.35
Leben (3% fat): Gil (Tnuva), Oz (Tara), Ya'el (United Dairies)	170 ml. cup	0.30
Yogurt (Tnuva, Tara, United Dairies)	170 ml. cup	0.45
Fruit-flavoured yogurt: Prigurt (Tnuva), Pri-Halav (United Dairies)	170 ml. cup	0.55
Danone, Yogurt with Fruit (Strauss)	120 ml. cup	0.95
Milk pudding: Rafrefet (Tnuva), Crem-Temne, Crem Tara	170 ml. cup	0.70
Milk pudding, Dany (Strauss) twin cups	2 x 125 gr.	1.85

CREAM

Sour cream	170 ml. cup	0.65
Pasteurized whipping cream	230 ml. bag	2.00
Sterilized coffee cream	200 ml. bottle	0.80

BUTTER

Butter	100 gm. package	1.20
Salted butter	200 gm. package	2.30

SOFT WHITE CHEESE

Lean white cheese Tara, United Dairies	250 gm. package	.70
Lean white cheese for cutting Cna'an (Tnuva)	250 gm. package	.90
Lean white cheese for cutting Cna'an (Tnuva), Tivon (Tara), Kfar (U.D.)	500 gm. package	1.80
Lean spreading cheese (Tnuva)	250 gm. cup	.75
White cheese, half fat 5% fat (Tara, U.D.)	250 gm. package	.80
Fat white cheese for spreading 9% (Tnuva)	250 gm. cup	.80
Fat cheese for cutting: Tuv Taam (Tara), Shufra (U.D.)	250 gm. package	1.00
Savyon half-fat cheese (Tnuva) square box,	125 gm.	0.50
Lean spreading cheese, Ga'aton (Strauss)	125 gm. cup	0.75
Fat spreading cheese, Ga'aton, 9% fat (Strauss)	125 gm. cup	0.90
Cottage cheese, 9% fat (Tnuva)	225 gm. cup	1.00

HARD CHEESE

Gilboa (Tnuva)	1 kg.	10.00
Gilboa (Tnuva)	150 gm. package sliced	2.00
Emek (Tnuva)	1 kg.	11.00
Emek (Tnuva)	200 gm. package	2.60
Tiran (Tenne), Pe'er (Tara), Edamer (Strauss)	1 kg.	11.50
Edamer (Strauss)	150 gm. package sliced	2.40
Gush Halav (Tnuva)	1 kg.	12.00
Gush Halav (Tnuva)	200 gm. package sliced	2.70
Colby (Tnuva)	1 kg.	12.00
Gad (Tnuva)	1 kg.	12.50
Tal Ha'emek (Tnuva)	1 kg.	14.00
Tal Ha'emek (Tnuva)	200 gm. package sliced	3.30
Meiron (Strauss)	1 kg.	13.30
Meiron (Strauss)	150 gm. package sliced	2.80
Arad (Tenne), Hadar (Tara)	1 kg.	13.00
Nahariya (Strauss)	1 kg.	14.20
Gilad (Tnuva), Golan (Tnuva), ("Kashkaval")	1 kg.	20.00
Gilad (Tnuva), Golan (Tnuva) ("Kashkaval")	150 gm. package sliced	3.75
Bashan (Tnuva) smoked	1 kg.	21.00
Bashan (Tnuva) smoked	200 gm. package sliced	4.75
Galil (Tnuva)	1 kg.	22.00

PROCESS CHEESE

Carmel (Tnuva)	six triangles in a 240 gm. box	1.70
No'am (Tnuva)	eight triangles in a 200 gm. box	1.80
Meshek (Tnuva)	sixteen triangles in a 224 gm. box	2.20
Bilu (Strauss)	six triangles in a 240 gm. box	2.75
Nili, Chili, Gili (Strauss)	three circles in a 180 gm. box	2.25
Ta'am Americal (Mata)	250 gm. package	4.05

MARGARINE

Margarine, with or without salt	200 gm. packet	.47
Margarine, with or without salt	250 gm. cup	.85
Margarine, low calorie	250 gm. cup	.75
Margarine for baking	200 gm. packet	.47
Margarine with milk	200 gm. packet	.80
Margarine with milk	250 gm. cup	1.05

OIL

Refined soya oil	580 gm. glass bottle (560 ml.)	1.05
Refined soya oil	920 gm. plastic bottle (1 lit.)	2.15

MATCHES

Matches	twelve-box package	1.20
Matches	box	0.10

HUMUS, TEHINA

Prepared humus	100 gm. can	1.00
Prepared humus	310 gm. can	2.30
Prepared humus	420 gm. can	2.90
Instant humus	100 gm. can	1.30
Prepared tehina	100 gm. can	1.00
Instant tehina	100 gm. can	1.45

FLOUR, SUGAR, RICE, SALT

Special white flour, semolina	1 kg.	1.30
Plain white flour	1 kg.	1.25
White sugar	1 kg.	2.00
Sugat sugar	1 kg.	2.05
Rice	1 kg.	3.40-3.90
Cooking salt in bags	1 kg.	0.45
Coarse salt in bags	1 kg.	0.60
Regular table salt in bags	1 kg.	0.60

NOODLES AND DOUGH PRODUCTS

Macaroni, spaghetti (Osem)	400 gm. package	1.40
Noodles, ptitim (Osem)	400 gm. package	1.20
Macaroni Peer Bahita (Osem)	250 gm. package or box	1.40
Macaroni Murhav (Osem)	250 gm. package or box	1.35
Noodles, ptitim Murhav unbaked (Osem)	250 gm. package	1.20
Ptitim, baked "Murhav" (Osem)	250 gm. package	1.30

BISCUITS

Marie (Hadar)	250 gm. package	1.90
Crackers (Hadar)	250 gm. package	1.95
Marie, Cream Crackers, Biscafe (Froumine)	227 gm. package	2.25
Marie, Cream Crackers (Osem)	227 gm. package	2.10
Petit Beurre (Osem)	175 gm. package	1.55
Petit Beurre (Osem)	260 gm. package	2.10

DEHYDRATED SOUPS

Chicken soup (Telma)	three cubes, each 15 gm.	1.72
Instant chicken soup (Osem)	three cubes, each 11 gm.	1.63
Chicken or meat soup (Vita, Osem, Telma)	three cubes, each 14-16 gm.	1.72
Instant chicken or meat soup (Vita, Osem, Telma)	six cubes, 5.5-7.0 gm. each	1.72
Mushroom soup with grits (Vita, Osem, Telma)	box of two envelopes	3.30
Vegetable soup (Telma)	50 gm. cube	0.85
Vegetable soup (Osem)	three cubes, 14 gm. each	0.95
other soups (Vita, Osem, Telma)	box of two envelopes	3.15

BEVERAGES

Beer, regular	48 cl. bottle	0.73
Malt beer	48 cl. bottle	0.61
Carbonated beverage Coca-Cola	1 lit. bottle	1.77
Carbonated beverage Schweppes	1 lit. bottle	1.55
Other beverages, e.g., Goldsun, Tempo,	1-1.1 lit. bottle	1.43
Citrus beverage	65 cl. bottle	0.68

TEA AND COFFEE

Instant coffee (Lieber)	227 gm. jar or tin	10.00
Instant coffee (Lieber)	56 gm. jar or tin	2.60
Instant coffee (Elite)	56 gm. tin	2.75
Instant coffee (Elite)	227 gm. tin	10.45
Instant coffee (Elite)	200 gm. jar	9.50
Haag low caffeine instant coffee	50 gm. jar or tin	4.00
Elite low caffeine instant coffee	56 gm. tin	4.00
Type 74 tea (Wissotzky)	aluminium foil packet, 100 gm.	1.68
Type 510 tea (Wissotzky)	aluminium foil packet, 100 gm.	1.85
Tea, 1 gm. bags (Wissotzky)	25 bags, aluminium tab	1.30
Tea, 1.5 gm. bags (Wissotzky)	25 bags, polythene tab	1.70
Tea, 1 gm. bags (Wissotzky)	50 bags, aluminium tab	2.60
Tea, 1.5 gm. bags (Wissotzky)	50 bags, polythene tab	3.33

POPULARLY PRICED CHOCOLATE

Chocolate, milk, plain, or with peanuts	50 gm. bar	0.65
Chocolate, milk or plain	100 gm. bar	1.30
Chocolate, milk or plain	200 gm. bar	2.60

FROZEN BEEF LIVER, AND TONGUE

Frozen beef liver	1 kg.	13.50
Frozen tongue (with no fat)	1 kg.	18.00

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COMPLAINT TO

This is the text of the official Israeli complaint over Syrian torture and murder of Israeli PoW's which was submitted to UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim last week by Israel's Ambassador to the UN, Yosef Tekoah.

1. On 10 November and 8 December 1973, the Government of Israel lodged two serious complaints with the International Committee of the Red Cross, concerning the murder, on the battlefield, of members of the Israel Defence Forces who had fallen into Syria hands. In the Mount Hermon position, in Hushniya, in Tel-Faras and in Nafah — when these places were retaken, the Israel Defence Forces discovered the appalling sight of the corpses of Israeli soldiers riddled with bullets fired at point-blank range, their hands bound behind their backs, their eyes blindfolded, stripped of their uniforms or boots, and, in certain cases, with obvious signs of brutal maltreatment on their bodies. The Government of Israel also set down, in the complaints, the killing of air crews who had ejected from their crippled aircraft while uninjured and intact but who were shot to death in their descent by parachute or after they had surrendered to the Syrian army on land.

2. Now, with the return of the prisoners-of-war from Syria, the Government of Israel has evidence which complements the accounts given in the two complaints—of the suffering, the torture, the humiliation and the harsh treatment to which the Israeli prisoners were subjected during the eight months of their detention in Syria.

3. To establish the absolute veracity of all that happened to the prisoners-of-war during their captivity in Syria, three Judges, on the bench of the District Courts of Israel, were appointed each as a Commission of Enquiry, and collected evidence, on oath, from the repatriated men; who were also examined by Israeli medical teams to establish their physical condition.

On the strength of the findings of the Commissions of Enquiry and the medical examinations, a complaint is hereby lodged with the International Committee of the Red Cross against the authorities of Syria, of major violations of the Geneva Convention of 12 August 1949 Relating to the Treatment of Prisoners-of-War, breaches of a cumulative gravity that proves, up to the hilt, that the Syrian authorities deliberately denied the Israeli soldiers who fell into their hands the rights and status of prisoners-of-war to which they were entitled by virtue of the Convention and by all the rules of international humanitarian law. The Syrian authorities behaved towards them as towards persons devoid of every right, and the treatment meted out to them was worse than is meted out to dangerous criminals.

4. The Government of Israel is prepared, at any time, to place before the International Committee of the Red Cross, and before any other authorized international body, the testimony that it has assembled and to facilitate the instituting of a full investigation of the war crimes and the breaches of the Geneva Convention of which the Syrian authorities have been guilty.

FURTHER CASES OF MURDER

5. On 21 October 1973, 10 miles south-west of Damascus, two airmen were compelled to abandon their damaged plane. When they did this they were both uninjured. As they were parachuting down, fire was blatantly directed at them from the air by Syrian Mig 17's and from the ground by a group of soldiers. Both men were hit by the gunfire. The firing did not stop even when the first man touched ground and raised his hands in token surrender. He was dragged away and flung inside a military vehicle, and then a body was thrown across him—it was the corpse of his comrade, who had been killed by the Syrian gunfire.

6. On 19 April 1974, about four kilometres north of Mount Hermon, west of Rabia village, an Israeli aircraft crewed by two men was hit by a Syrian missile. (The names of these men have been omitted in order to spare the feelings of their families. They have, however, been incorporated in the original text of the complaint submitted to the International Committee of the Red Cross.) The navigator baled out successfully and during his descent by parachute he noted that the pilot's parachute had opened. When he landed, he heard shots from the spot where he had seen the pilot come down. The pilot's body was later returned to Israel by the Syrian authorities. A pathological examination of the corpse revealed that he had been shot all over his body: his neck, chest, stomach, arms and legs. The shots had been fired at point-blank range, some from only 50 centimetres away, and many after he was already dead. The body was returned with the ears torn off and lying beside it; according to the pathologists this was done after death. The Government of Israel charges the authorities of Syria with the murder of this airman while helpless after landing on Syrian territory, and with the brutal mutilation of his body after death.

7. In the hospital in Damascus, several Israeli prisoners, among them Amichai Rokach, met the Israeli pilot Avi Lanir. Rokach, an old friend of his, talked with Lanir and learnt that he had been wounded in the hands, feet and pelvis. Rokach attests that Lanir was fully coherent and that their conversation was entirely clear. Subsequently, Lanir seen to be taken away, held up by two persons. His body was returned to Israel with neither medical certificates nor explanation of his death. The Government of Israel holds the authorities of Syria responsible for causing his death while wounded and helpless in their hands.

8. On 1 May 1974, late at night, three Israeli soldiers, Amiram Marcus, Yosef Weiss and Raphael Benvenisti, were reported missing from an Israeli outpost on Mount Hermon. The next day, the Government of Israel applied to the International Committee of the Red Cross for information as to their fate. The Syrian authorities refused to furnish any details. The Government of Israel later learned from the United States Government that Marcus and Weiss were in Syrian captivity, but nothing was revealed of the fate of Benvenisti. On 6 June, a coffin with Benvenisti's body inside it was delivered to Israel without any explanation of the cause of his death, and the Government of Israel holds the authorities of Syria solely answerable for it.

9. In a Syrian jail Israeli prisoners-of-war met Druze watchmen of Israeli citizenship who had fallen into Syrian hands. One, a man of about 70, called 'Abu Nimr' by his cell-mates, was a victim of vicious maltreatment and particularly brutal beating by the jailers, in spite of his advanced years. At a certain stage after the jailers had injected some substance in his body, his mind began to be disturbed, and from that point on he was, in effect, dying by degrees. At first, parts of his body became paralysed and he no longer had control over them; next he lost his hearing, and finally his sight. His cell-mates were compelled to look upon this terrible scene of his death-pangs for more than a week, until he finally expired. During all that time, despite the entreaties of his fellow prisoners to the jailers to help the old man, he was given no medical treatment and the blows did not stop. Only when he was dead were Syrian officers called in and his body was taken away.

10. As told above, the Israeli airman Gil Haran was murdered after abandoning his plane. The other member of the aircrew, Ittamar Barnea, at whom shots were also fired from air and ground while he was parachuting down, was hit in the legs and one of them was broken by a bullet. When he landed, he was surrounded by a group of about 50 soldiers led by an officer. Despite the fact that he raised his hands and gave himself up, the soldiers kept on firing at him until stopped by order of the officer, only a short distance away. However, one of them ignored the order and continued to fire a pistol at him from a distance of only three metres, hitting him in the chest and neck; one of Barnea's lungs had to be removed in hospital as a consequence.

11. On 7 October 1973, the Israeli navigator Avraham Assael abandoned his aircraft and parachuted down safely south-west of Tel-Faras. Within a few minutes, he was detected by a group of Syrian soldiers led by a sergeant. He raised his hands in sign of surrender and gave himself up. Thereupon, one of the soldiers opened fire on him with a Kalatchnikov submachine from close quarters. Assael was hit in the right leg by one round and in the left by about 10. As a result his left leg was later amputated above the knee in Damascus hospital.

12. The two cases described above typify the Syrian attitude towards Israeli air crews who abandoned their planes. Most of the pilots and navigators were fired on from the air and, particularly, from the ground, while still in helpless descent. Their parachutes were riddled with bullets as they came down and some of them were wounded in the air or injured by accelerated descent in torn parachutes. In a large number of cases, they were also fired at from short range after they had landed and given themselves up.

13. The fate of soldiers of the Israeli ground forces who surrendered and sought to give themselves up was no better than what befell the air crews. They were frequently still fired at, even after they had raised their hands and put down their arms. For instance, the soldier Yoav Ben-David attempted to give himself up and raised his hands in sign of surrender; whereupon he was shot and wounded in the hand.

14. When the shooting came to an end, the Syrian soldiers subjected the Israeli prisoners-of-war to degrading and dishonourable treatment. Their personal belongings, documents and identification discs were taken from them as soon as they were captured; occasionally even their uniforms were violently stripped off. In the case of PoW's wearing eye-spectacles, such as Dr. Charles Kowalski, Ehud Levnan and Yoel Karni, the Syrians snatched them away and smashed them to pieces. In other cases, such as the PoW's Nahum Gideon and Ido Goldhart, their captors tore out the hair of their scalps and beards—and this under the eyes of a Syrian officer on the spot. The hands and feet of the PoW's were bound with telephone wire, their hands as a rule strapped very tightly behind their backs, and no notice was taken of their constant pleas to desist from the savage stricture. Traces of this inhuman fettering — in some cases the wire was unbound only after many months—were still visible on a number of PoW's on their return to Israel: scars were found example, on the PoW's Zeev N Yaakov Ariel and Amram which medical specialists were characteristic of the po and prolonged pressure of such terial as chains, wires or ropes barbarism was accompanied matter of routine — by blows PoW's bodies with any blunt ment which happened to be to the Syrian captors: rifle bayonets, parts of military ment.

Nevertheless, it must be out that instances did come to of PoW's having been fairly when they were captured Geneva Convention stipulates.

15. On 13 October 1973, the pilot Gabi Gerzon was take soner, uninjured. Next day, h brought to Damascus and tak the interrogation room, wh number of officers awaited in soon as the interrogation he was beaten on the nape neck and lost consciousness. covered to find himself lying back, naked, blindfolded, his stocks elevated at an angle of 90 degrees. In the course interrogation, electric wires attached to sensitive parts body and to his ears. The in gation was punctuated at intervals by flogging the so the feet (Falaka), by passing trodes over all parts of the including the most sensitive, administering electric shocks power with another device in a way that each shock made upper part of his body jerk vi ty. As a result the soles of Ge feet were shattered, blood sp forth and both his legs were maged from sole to pelvis. interrogation went on for a night; he was prevented by the miners from fainting. The wi his ears produced further el shocks, which affected his gla system, causing loss of saliva bloody vomit. When the questi ended, he was thrown into two metres long and one metre ty centimetres wide. There he wa for nine days without medical ment, both legs severely hurt, th one disintegrating and decomp in total isolation and excruc agony. He was then transferr another cell, but only 15 days the interrogation was he brougl hospital: his left leg, which rotted was amputated at once; surgeons were about to amp the right one as well, but y to his pleading not to.

One PoW comes home from Syria. (Israel

Gerzon was returned to I with his left leg and a toe of right one amputated. The sole o right foot was still badly sca as was the stump of his left —eight months after the en the interrogation in Syria du which these diabolical injuries inflicted on his helpless body.

Gerzon's case is only one exa of the brutal behaviour of the rians. Most of the Israeli Po had their share of torture, hum tion, physical hurt and mental ment, some more, some less, in eight months of their captivity

16. As soon as they arrived in mascus, the PoW's were up into groups, the air crews officers of the ground forces h held in absolute isolation for four to five months. During time, many of them were conf in the narrowest of cells which previously been used as latrines were totally unfit for human h tation. In these cells, which PoW's called "drawers," there w no sanitary arangements, no beds mattresses. Prisoners-of-war in tary confinement were allowed the slightest contact with their c rades-in-arms or with the out world. Letters sent to them w not delivered, nor were they allo to notify their families that had been taken prisoner.

17. In the first weeks of captiv the PoW's were denied and water regularly, and, afterwards, until almost the the food was poor and served manner designed to degrade and mitiate. During questioning, the terrogators went even further, refusing the PoW's the exigu ration of food and water to wh they were entitled as an additio means of torture, to extract inf mation. In several cases, as well being deliberately subjected thirst, prisoners were given water to intensify it. Things ca to such a pass that they were strained to take advantage of the few visits to the latrine to quen their thirst with the water flush into the bowl.

18. The jailers systematically pr vented the PoW's from going to t lavatory for long spells, so th they were forced to exercise the bodily functions in their cells, dres ed, with no possibility of washi themselves or changing. They we thus constrained to go about f days with filth in their clothin This hellish misery was hideous aggravated by the fact that, that time, owing to the severe col the PoW's suffered from inflamma tion of the urinary tract an diarrhoea.

Yet, in spite of these disgustin sanitary conditions, and althoug most of the PoW's had infecte wounds and still wore bloodstained uniforms, the least facility fo washing themselves was lengthily withheld: not until 40 days afte they had been taken prisoner were they, for the first time, allowed t shower. Many of them have said that the long humiliation of denia

TUN ON SYRIAN TORTURE OF ISRAELI PoW's

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ess to the lavatory, and of left dirty and stinking, was rdest of their tribulations to

ll the first five months of cap- ity, the PoW's were beaten thodical cruelty by day and by their jailers, by the inter- s and by casual visitors in- y the jailers to amuse them- in that sadistic way. Cudgels, whips, sticks, feet and fists he weapons. And all this ith the eyes of the prisoners ed so that the blows struck nexpectedly, hurting all the Many pilots, among them, Lance, Zvi Afik, Amiram Guy, red and Yoram Shahar, were avily on the ears, and their has been permanently im- No part of the PoW's bodies, n their genitals, was immune. orst beatings were inflicted PoW's in the shower-room: took hold of PoW's heads and knocked them together; ler dealt the PoW Ephraim such savage blows as to y injure his head.

he Syrian authorities, in their sire to break the spirit of the to humiliate them and ex- all possible information from practised the most inhuman rbarous methods of torture. rrogration with the aid of shock was endured by many including all the ground and air crews. Not a few reported that this form of only stopped when their began to jerk convulsively: ample, the genitals of one (The name of this man has mitted in order to spare the s of his family. It was, how- incorporated in the original f the complaint submitted to ternational Committee of the ross.) were connected by an wire to the door of the gation room and, on the order examiner, he was beaten on and electric shocks sent h his testicles. Another mode stioning by torture which was quent and systematic use was heel': the PoW was thrust rubber tyre attached by a o a hook on the ceiling, his ed to the top, his entire body ted and twisted upon itself. yre was then pulled up and n the air, the prisoner became he was bastinadoed, his whole ted person was beaten. This persisted until the PoW . When he came to, but had revived, he was back in the and the performance would eared again and again.

des these so-called sophisticat- niques of torture, the Syrians, gators and jailers alike, de- in pressing burning ciga- and matches on all parts of W's bodies, and especially on faces; bearded and moustached ers had the hair scorched off way. Ghastly agony was suf- by several PoW's when, in the of the questioning, the in- rs tore out their toe-nails.

tolerance endured by the PoW's magnified because each variety ture — electric shocks, wrench- t of toe-nails, burns and the — was administered while risoners were blindfolded and could not steel themselves lly for every new assault, or r between blows. Many were to stand on their feet for on end, with no sleep, until collapsed from exhaustion.

ther means used to break the of the Israeli soldiers was to them to strike each other until flowed. Others were brought mock execution squads: Avineri, up against a concrete wall, heard the cocking of Kalatchnikov sub-machine-guns aimed at him by three soldiers; then they let him go and the nightmare was over.

A major part in this programme of torment was played by Syrian officers, among them senior officers who took part in the interrogations and themselves tortured the PoW's or gave orders to their subordinates to do so. Forty-four out of the sixty-five prisoners repatriated, eight months after capture and five months after the main part of the inquisitions and tortures was halted, bore on their bodies marks that testify to the inhumanities which they had undergone: traces of burns, broken teeth, cuts, swellings, scars, hair torn out, ear-drums shattered, tearing out of toe-nails and lack of sensation in various parts of the body. These findings have been diagnosed and confirmed by medical teams which examined the men on their return.

21. Many of the prisoners who were wounded on the battlefield were not given the minimum of medical treatment on capture. When they arrived at the jail, a few were transferred to hospital at once, but, in the vast majority of cases, only after a lapse of time, during which they were left untended.

In hospital, the wounded men felt that the doctors who treated them did so fairmindedly and with the desire to give them proper medical care, but that the hospital authorities did not bother to assign physicians with the specialized knowledge which the particular therapy required. Thus, the PoW Itamar Barnea was brought in with a chest wound and, on the spot, the surgeon removed his right lung. Professor Eyal, of the Hadassah-Hebrew University Hospital in Jerusalem, has stated in his opinion that this was not at all necessary and that the appropriate treatment did not demand such drastic action; moreover, the operation was done unskilfully so that Barnea must now undergo a series of operations in Israel to repair the damage done. Likewise, in the judgment of the Israeli physicians, the operation on the PoW Gadi Gerzon was carried out negligently and there was no option in this case too, but to operate on him again. Other wounded PoW's, too, amputees or otherwise injured, will have to undergo special treatment in Israel to undo the results of the inadequate medical care given them in Syria. In every case, the operations in Syria were performed without prior examination or X-ray. Afterwards, there was no follow-up of the condition of the wounded men. Moreover, the Syrians did not trouble to extract metal splinters from the bodies of many of the wounded men, and some wounds were never treated at all.

22. Beyond these defects in treatment, the condition of the wounded was ominously worsened by two factors. First, when removed from hospital, they were thrown into jail, to face exacting interrogation while still in need of medical care and careful supervision. They were discharged from hospital with wounds not yet healed and still in bandages; they were given no treatment against infection which developed; their dressings were not changed nor were they given enough pills to arrest any aggravation of their condition and ease their pain. Second, as infections and complications developed in jail, they demanded medical attention, but the guards and the responsible prison staff ignored their cries. When a medical orderly finally appeared, he confined himself to superficial dressing; only in the few cases where the complications were very grave was the wounded man transferred to hospital—but by then the harm could no longer be repaired.

For long periods, in some cases for two months and more, a number of the wounded prisoners were kept blindfolded in solitary confinement, the jailers molesting and beating them, striking at their wounds and opening them anew.

22. Results of the medical examination of the returned PoW's show that 60 of the 65 contracted different ailments in captivity—48, on top of other maladies, contracted diarrhoea owing to rancid food and substandard sanitation. Only about one in every two got any kind of treatment when they fell ill. The Israeli medical teams particularly stress that, among members of the ground forces, only those who were captured while in good health or with relatively minor wounds returned to Israel alive.

24. For about five months, the Syrian authorities declined to hand over the names of the Israeli PoW's or permit delegates of the International Committee of the Red Cross to visit them—all in flagrant violation of the provisions of the Geneva Convention. Eventually, following the intervention of the U.S. Secretary of State, the Syrian authorities turned over the list of names on 27 February 1974 and authorized delegates of the International Committee to visit the PoW's on 1 March 1974. From this visit and the few which followed emerged a dark picture of the conditions in which the PoW's were held. Moreover, when they returned to Israel, they pointed out that their conditions were markedly improved immediately before the first Red Cross visit. The picture presented in the Red Cross reports is, therefore, much brighter than the true state of affairs in the first five months of detention.

25. In the reports submitted by the ICRC delegates, there appear, *inter alia*, the following conclusions:

i. The prisoners were kept in a common jail in extremely congested conditions. For instance, 30 rankers were crowded into a cell, measuring 8 metres by 4 metres with no furniture except for 21 mattresses on the bare floor.

ii. Ventilation was insufficient. In the cell in question, there was only one small window, about three metres from the ground.

iii. Sanitary facilities were inadequate in number.

iv. The PoW's were confined uninterruptedly in their crowded and unventilated cells, never permitted to go out into the fresh air even for a few moments. This intolerable state of affairs went on month after month. They were only permitted to go out into the jail yard from 25 April 1974, i.e. nearly six months after capture, and then for only half an hour a day.

v. The quality of the food given to them was inadequate (especialy in its lack of proteins), particularly for the wounded men who were kept in jail with the rest.

vi. Medical treatment for the walking wounded in the jail cells was almost non-existent, resulting in severe and lasting damage to the POW's concerned. There was no dental treatment at all. While the wounded were in detention, and even when they were about to be returned, no medical certificates as to their condition and the medical treatment that they had had were provided.

vii. Family letters handed over by the ICRC delegates for transmission to the PoW's from November 1973 were not delivered to them until April 1974 (ICRC report of 1 May 1974). Letters from the PoW's to their families did not arrive in Israel till 25 March 1974.

viii. The prisoners had no official representative who could have spoken to the authorities on their behalf, as required by the Geneva Convention.

ix. The prisoners were denied all reading matter for months on end, and bibles and other religious articles were withheld.

26. It should be especially stressed that severely wounded PoW's including two men each with a lung removed and several amputees, were victims of the hardships described, and not least of the over-crowding and dearth of ventilation. To illustrate what the representatives of the International Committee saw during their visits, it should suffice to quote the following passage from the report of the visit on 1 March 1974:

'The International Committee of the Red Cross determines that the prisoners-of-war are living in complete isolation, which is harmful to their mental and physical health. Consequently, it urgently recommends to the detaining Power to put an end to this situation and to correct the other points raised in this report, so that the prisoners-of-war may receive from now on treatment conforming to that which should be given to prisoners-of-war.'

SUMMARY

27. The findings presented in this complaint are plain proof that the grave violations of the Geneva Convention were the outcome of the deliberate official policy of the Syrian authorities.

28. The crimes which were committed in Damascus and described above trample on human rights and offend every accepted canon of international humanitarian law. By their behaviour, the Syrian authorities have made a mockery of the Geneva Convention and put back the clock of history to the dark ages when human rights were unrecognized and when captured enemy combatants were treated as though they were creatures beyond the protection of any law and subject to the arbitrary whims of their captors.

29. The Government of Israel regards it as superfluous to list the paragraphs of the Geneva Convention which have been violated by the Syrian authorities: as many as the obligations laid upon the detaining Power, and the rights afforded to prisoners-of-war by the Convention, so many are the high-handed and brazen violations of the Convention that have been perpetrated by the Syrian authorities.

30. The Government of Israel calls on the International Committee of the Red Cross to take vigorous action to prevent any recurrence of such misdeeds as are set forth in this complaint. To that end, it asks that the complaint be brought by the International Committee to the knowledge of all signatory States of the Geneva Convention.

31. The Government of Israel demands of the Syrian authorities that they bring to trial all those who carried out the war crimes described in this complaint. It also demands that the Syrian authorities take effective measures to prevent any recurrence of such acts, and inform the Government of Israel and the International Committee of the Red Cross of the measures taken.

32. The Government of Israel calls for an enquiry into the treatment meted out to Israeli prisoners-of-war in Syria from 6 October 1973 to 6 June 1974 in accordance with the terms of Article 132 of the Geneva Convention of 12 August 1949 Relating to the Treatment of Prisoners-of-war and of its Note of 6 August 1974 to the International Committee of the Red Cross on this matter.

Jerusalem, 6 August 1974.

Young Labour leader ays 'shake-up WZO'

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

all for a shake-up of the Zionist Movement is being ut by one of the younger s of the Labour Party. Uri n, 38, who is also chairman combined younger divisions Zionist parties in Israel, to introduce change into activities; above all he to get Israeli youth involved nist work, especially in immi- absorption and cultivating ts with Diaspora youth.

of the few sabras in politics have chosen to become in- in Zionist activities, Uri n recently became head of ewly-formed Younger Leader- Department of the World Zion- ganization.

y did he choose Zionist ac- s? Gordon believes that 's future hinges on its security and on its ties with the ora. "We were always taught we sabras are superior to the of the Diaspora. But I came conclusion that this kind of de must be radically changed.

Louis Pincus' words I want ach out to the lost generation nism in the Diaspora," he says, ing to those aged between 25 45. Gordon wishes to pursue alms. The first is to cultivate nal relations between young is and young Jews from the ora communities. Thus he has ly arranged with Prof. Ger- Cohen of the U.S. Conservative nunities that next year he will over 50 young leaders, and will meet leading younger ls like the young Members of set, the younger politicians and n g university personalities. her they will meet in Jeru- for four days and discuss l-Diaspora relations.

second action is to bring ll youth to help create Zionist ties in this country, and by he means first of all — bing immigrants. To this end ption groups (havurot) will be d. In each town there will be lunteers' liaison bureau of the ger generation and in coordi- n with the immigrant associa- they will endeavour to launch uth for Immigrants movement. s convinced that many sabras d become involved in such a ment if only the right kind uidance and leadership were coming.

URI GORDON

Gordon thinks in terms of a new appeal from Jerusalem to Jewish youth to come on aliya. Mass aliya of young people would need radical changes in Israel and in the Diaspora, he says, and believes that a prime target must be the Zionist Federations. "Yes, that is attainable if the WZO will cease to be an apparatus and become a Movement. The incumbent Zionist leaders are tired people and incapable of effecting any revolution."

Gordon is fully aware of the difficulties ahead. "Yes, I know there is strong opposition inside the WZO to such novel ideas. Too many people have become captives of bureaucratic routine. The WZO has to become a catalyst in reviving Zionism as a mass movement throughout World Jewry. At our conference we will not discuss money and fund-raising, but how to deal with human beings."

Gordon is highly critical of the internal set-up in the WZO. "It is unacceptable that each department remains an independent empire. The bureaucratic set-up and the chaos will continue to do lots of damage to our cause. Some way must be found to coordinate the departments, so as not to waste our meagre resources and manpower. If there is anyone who can effect this much-needed reform, it is Pinhas Sapir. In his new job as Chairman of the Jewish Agency and the WZO, Pinhas Sapir can use his powerful personality to shake things up and rebuild Israel-Diaspora relations on a sounder basis. We have to pursue a policy of continuity and change. Not everything is bad in the WZO, don't get me wrong, but we have to shake off the cobwebs and not sweep them under the carpet."

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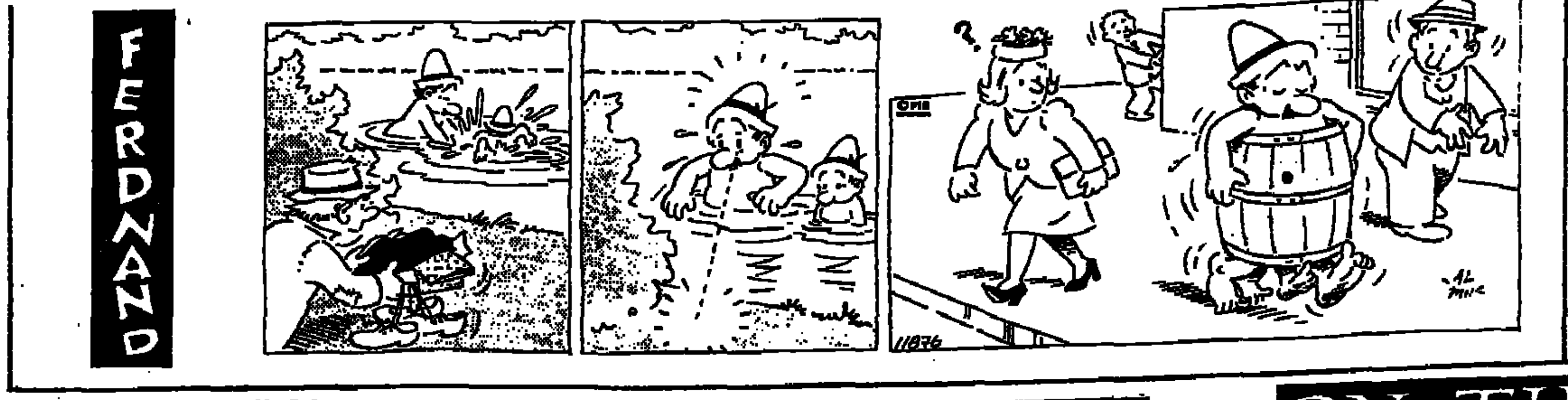

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ALLENBY — The Sting 4.30, 7.10, 9.40; BEN YEHUDA — Love Me Johnny 7.15, 9.30; CINEMA ONE — Sleeper; CINERAMA — Charlie and a Half 7.15, 9.30; ESTHER — The Dragon; CHEN — Paper Moon; DEKEL — *Blazing Saddles;* DRIVE IN — 7.15 Hey There It's Yogi Bear, 9.45 The Last sunset; GAT — Avanti; GORDON — England Made Me; HOD — Adam; LIMOR — Charlie and a Half; MAXIM — The Body; MOGRABI — Three The Hard Way; OPHIR — Un Amore Cosi Fragile Cosi Violento; TCHELET — La Planete Sauvage; ORLY — Don't Peek Under My Skirt I'm a Man; ORDAN — Love and Pain and The Whole Damn Thing; PARIS — Desperate Character 10-12-2-4-7.30-9.30; PEER — La Bonne Annee; RAMAT AVIV — Blume in Love Thurs. 4.30 Gamma; STUDIO — La Grande Bouffe 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; TEL AVIV — Lady Ice; ZAFON — Deux Hommes Dans La Ville.

JERUSALEM
4.00, 7.00, 9.00
ARMON — Go West; CHEN — Symphony of Death; EDEN — The Don is Dead; EDISON — Clic; MITCHELL — Charlie and a Half 7.30, 9.30, Fri. 3.00; ORION — Venial sin; ORNA — Crazy Joe; HABIRAH — The Wedding Night of Dr. Daniel; JERUSALEM — Blume in Love; ORGIL — Sisters; SEMADAR — The Sting 3.45, 6.45, 9.15; RON — The Long Goodbye.

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AMPHITHEATRE — Three Bastards and Seven Sinners; ARMON — Ace High; ATZMON — Three The Hard Way; BEIT ROTHSCHILD — Mon. Tues., Wed., 6.45, 9.00 Family Life, Sun. 9.00 Splendour in the Grass, Thurs. 9.00 Pepe Le Moko; CHEN — The Sting 4.00, 6.30, 9.00; RON — La Grande Bouffe; MORIAH — The Last Vicar 6.45, 9.00; ORAH — Adam; ORDAN — Plaza Suite; ORION — Hector the Mighty; ORLY — Ash Wednesday 6.45, 9.00, Wed. 9.15; PEER — Charlie and a Half; MIRON — Conquest of the Planet of the Apes; SHAVIT — The Sterile Cuckoo.

HERZLIYA
TIFERET — Shaft in Africa 7.30, 9.30; DAVID — Charlie and a Half 7.15, 9.30

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ARMON — Cries and Whispers 7.30, 9.30; OASIS — Sugarland Express 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; ORDEA — Carnal Violence; RAMA — *I am a* Nymphomaniac 7.30, 9.30; HADAR — Charlie and a Half 7.30, 9.30; RAMAT GAN — The Three Musketeers; LILI — Serpico mats. 4.00 The Mystery of Thug Island.

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2nd Programme: 6.05 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight and 1.00 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m. and 1.05 p.m.
Galei Zahal: News: 6.00 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight, *1.00 a.m.*, 1.30, 2.30, 3.30, 4.30, 5.30 Newsreels: 8.05 a.m., 12.05 and 5.05 p.m. and 12.05 a.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME
256, 522 and 221 M.
7.58 a.m. Opening 8.05 "Morning Concert" — Bach: Concerto in C; Haydn: Symphony No. 45 ("Farewell"); Schubert: *Impromptu*, op.90, nos. 1&2 (Lilly Kraus). 9.05 Schubert: Impromptus, op. 90 Nos. 3 & 4; Mozart: Clarinet Quintet. 10.05 Tchaikovsky: "Nutcracker" Suite.
11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 11.40 Song *and Melody.* 12.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools.
12.35 Esperanza Herzano-Tovor, piano: Hindemith: Sonata No. 2; Shostakovich: 3 Preludes; Chopin: Impromptu No.2. 1.05 Midday Concert — Franck: "Psyche" — Symphonic Poem.
2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" — Improving your Knowledge. 3.30 Literature. 3.55 Book Review. 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.06 Musica Viva — Schoenberg: String Quartet No.2 (Lasalle). Milton Babbitt: String Quartet No. 2 (Composers' Quartet); 5.10 (Stereo) Music for Sunday—Beethoven: *Missa Solemnis* — Part One (Bernstein). 6.05 People and Figures. 6.30 "Am Yisrael Hai." 6.50 A. Allon's Corner. 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light Music. 7.50 Bible Reading: Divrei Hayamim I, Chaps. 21 and 22. 8.05 Chief Rabbi Goren's Greetings for Rosh Hashana. 8.15 Rubinstein Competition — Prize Winners Two and Three, with the IPO — Gary Bertini. 9.25 Debussy's Life. 10.05 "Curtain Up." 11.05 Beethoven: String Trio, op.9 No.1; Brahms: Clarinet Sonata No.2. 12.05 A Moment of Poetry.
12.08 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 423, 256, 249, 355 and 349 M.
5.58 Opening. 6.00 Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 This Morning. 7.25 "Hebrew songs." 7.55 "Green Light." 8.05 Announcements. 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 Names and Events in the Headlines. 9.05 Good Morning (cont.) 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.40 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs. 1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.10 Foreign Hit Parade. 3.53 Names and Events in the Jewish Scene. 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.06 Foreign Hit Parade. 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 Hit Parade.

ISRAEL TELEVISION
5.30 News. 5.32 "Me and the ... 6.00 "Ot. Ot. Ot." 8.00 Yo... 8.30 Mabat. 9.00 The ... Greetings for Rosh Hashana ... Magician." 10.00 "The ... — "The Nuclear Dilemma" — ... tary. 10.50 Rosh Hashana ... the Sephardi Chief Rabbi.
Educational: 9.05 English ... 9. 10.20 Science 6. 11.05 A ... 7-9. 11.25 Geometry 5. 12.00 ... 12.40 *Technical Drawing* ... 4.00 Shana Tova. 4.14 A program... Gil Aldema and Asaria ... Holland — documentary.
Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.3... Susu." 7.00 Documentary. 7.... Weekly Magazine.

5.06 Asian Games — Teheran ... Troupes Songs. 6.45 Today's ... nouncements. 9.05 "The ... Question." 10.05 "The Mama's ... 11.05 "Open Door." 1.06 Close D...

FIFTH PROGRAMME
455 M.
6.58 Opening. 7.00 News. 7.... Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 ...

IMMIGRANTS' ...
458, 523, 256, 355 and 3...
7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew ... 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.... Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 ... Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROG...
7.00 a.m. (4th programme and ... 10.00 a.m. (4th Programme); 1... (4th programme and short wave ... *(4th programme)*; 8.30... programme); 10.00-10.45 p.m. (...

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7.15 a.m. (4th programme and ... 11.00 a.m. (4th programme); ... (4th programme and short wav... programme); 8.45-9.00 (4th ... *12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).*
4th Programme — 282, 407 and ... 3rd Programme (short waves) 33, 41 and 35 M.

GALEI ZAHAL
5.58 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.0... ning Programme. 7.05 Morning ... Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zaha... 8.30 Morning Tunes (cont.) 9.... 9.55 Hagai Eshed's Corner. 10... 10.55 Uri Sela's Corner. 11.05 W... ty — Greetings. 11.55 More... Corner. 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel ... and Tasty. 1.30 "Stars and Str... nouncements. 2.05 "Two till ... Ram Evron. 4.05 "Please Call... Newsreel. 5.40 Tunes for Ev... Programme Trailer. 6.05 "Ra... New Records. 9.05 "Radio's ... Tonight with Uri Sela. 11.55 ... 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 " ... 2.00 Light Music. 3.00-5.00 Tunes

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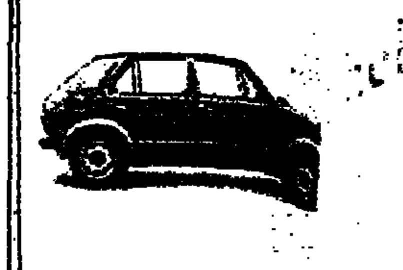
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Textbook measures won't help Ford

Unless he wants a bitter fight with labour and the Democrats, the U.S. President had better move away from his ideological biases on economic issues and develop active ways of checking the most conspicuous examples of unjustified wage hikes and outsized wage demands, writes JOSEPH KRAFT from Washington.

ONOMIC BAD NEWS last me in all shapes and sizes. m all directions. In New e stock market went down, wn. In Detroit auto prices In Vienna oil producers pes of a price cut. In Wash- e wholesale price index rose nual rate of nearly 50 per month, and a White House of labour leaders showed a ng of minds with the ration.

emerges from these deve- is the jumbled character present economic distress. no textbook answer for the no clear line of broad policy work, no unified game plan plies.

would be useful is a variety y activities undertaken on y case basis along a broad nd the main question now er President Ford can go is ideological bent to learn on, and then shape his team nic advisers accordingly.

ord approaches economic with a well-defined bias wo broad policy lines tradi- recommended for licking in- irst, he is partial to slow- omic activity by holding money supply. But interest already so high that any would totally disrupt economic activities sensitive to credit conditions — activities such as housing and the private utilities, not to mention the stock market. Further weakening in these areas could tilt the economy toward a serious, long-term recession. That is why so many of the economists at the September 5 White House meeting recommended some easing of interest rates.

Mr. Ford's second bias is in favour of cutting down on government spending. Such cuts would not only restrain demand, they would lessen government borrowing, thus making it possible to hold down the money supply without raising interest rates through the roof.

The unions in particular suspect that Mr. Ford is only using inflation as an excuse to cut into the social programmes they have pushed through over the years. At the meeting in Washington last week, they made plain their opposition to cuts of almost any kind. Their allies in the Democratic Party sustained that position by voting against President Ford's request to freeze a civil service pay increase.

Under these circumstances, the Administration can only rely to a limited extent on tight money and budget-cutting. Unless he wants a bitter fight with labour and the Democratic Party, the President must supplement his favourite courses of action with a variety of other moves designed to ease particular concerns and interests. Something special has to be done for the housing industry, utilities and the stock market. Oil and food costs, which lie at the root of the latest surge in wholesale prices, need to be brought under control — perhaps by foreign policy action.

Above all, the sense of fair play, of a general sacrifice and restraint for the common interest, needs to be developed. That means a way of checking the most egregious examples of unjustified price hikes and outsized wage demands. It means what is called an income policy, with some guidelines for wages and profits.

Mr. Ford is apparently unclear as to how far he is prepared to move away from his old ideological bias. The economic meetings leading up to the summit at the end of this month are at least partly a means of self-education.

The test lies chiefly in personnel. Mr. Ford has inherited from President Nixon a team of economic advisers little suited to take messy actions on a wide variety of fronts. Budget director Roy Ash has principled objections to government intervention in the private economy. So does Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers. Secretary of the Treasury William Simon, while slightly more flexible, lacks the stature and conceptual authority to be the dominant figure in economic policy.

So in gauging future economic policy, Washington is paying more attention to men than words. If Mr. Ford stands pat with his present team, the outlook will indeed be bleak. If he opens the lists, if he takes on activists prepared to restrain wages and profits by focusing attention on rip-offs, then he might yet contain inflation without an awful recession running through to 1976.

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LAW REPORT — The Jerusalem Post — Edited by Doris Lankin

In the Supreme Court sitting as High Court of Justice

Before Justices Cohn and Kister and Judge Asher.

Pinhas and Gideon Bickel, Petitioners, v. Minister of Agriculture and Others, Respondents (H.C. 413/73).

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1974

GOVERNMENT MAY NOT GRANT MONOPOLY WITHOUT STATUTORY BACKING

igh Court of Justice made an order *nisi* calling upon ondents to show cause why ioners should not be given to export their flowers ently.

titioners, who are flower- applied to the Minister of re for a licence to export ypes of flowers. Their appli- as rejected on the grounds the policy of the Govern- concentrate the export of n the hands of the Council Production and Export of and Agrexco, an agricul- ort company.

etitioners thereupon peti- he High Court of Justice granted an order *nisi*. e return day, Mr. Dagan Frantz appeared for the rs. and Mrs. Bienish, Assist- Attorney, Mr. Dinai and hitz for the respondents.

Decision

Asher, who delivered the of the High Court, noted at that the Council for the n and Export of Flowers g more than a voluntary corporation without any statutory powers, even though there are representatives of the Ministry of Agriculture on its Board. In other words, he noted, the Council has no more powers and rights than any private corporation, and in particular cannot force its members, or other flower-growers who do not belong to it, to market their products exclusively through it.

Judge Asher then went on to point out further that although there is still no formal Human Rights Law in Israel, the courts have always protected the basic rights of the individual and, among other things, have always recognized the natural right of the individual to engage in any occupation of his choice, as long as this is not expressly forbidden by law (see H.C. 1/49, P.D. 2/82). In short, he held, only the legislature has the power to deny or restrict an individual's right to practise his occupation freely.

Since the outbreak of the Second World War, Judge Asher continued, the import and export of goods from the country has been restricted by the Import, Export and Customs Powers Ordinance, 1939, licences being required for both purposes. But that does not mean that the authorities in charge of issuing these licences may give them or withhold them arbitrarily and capriciously. On the contrary, the rule is that every person is entitled to such licences for purposes of carrying on the occupation of his choice and any decision to withhold them must be based on some express or implicit provision of law.

The first respondent's representative had argued in the present case, continued Judge Asher, that the refusal to grant the petitioners an export licence was based on the powers of control vested in the respondent by the above Ordinance, in pursuance of which powers he had concentrated the export of flowers in the hands of the Council—for the greater good of the flower-growers themselves as the Council relieves them of the whole process of export from the beginning to the final sale; since this ensures a high standard of products and eliminates internal competition, it enables the growers to get top prices in the export market.

However, held Judge Asher, the fact is that the Government had decided to give the Council a *de facto* monopoly in the export of those flowers in which it is interested, and the question is whether this decision is not *ultra vires* the Ordinance and its aims and objects. In other words, he continued, the question is whether the respondents can justify granting the Council a monopoly (thus depriving citizens like the petitioners of the right to engage in the occupation of exporting flowers) on the basis of the provisions of the Ordinance. And the answer to that question, he held, is in the negative.

For, he went on to explain, although the Ordinance might permit, by implication, the granting of a monopoly to import goods, it does not do the same for the *export* of goods since, save in the rare case where the excessive export of a certain item must be restricted, export is not subject to the same limitations as import. On the contrary, not only is there no need to restrict exports, but there is a vital need to increase them. Thus there would appear to be no cause whatsoever for attributing to the Ordinance the purpose of restricting exports or of restricting the number of exporters.

Nor, continued Judge Asher, was there any provision in any other law which permitted the respondents to grant a monopoly to a voluntary and unofficial body like the Council and thus deprive other flower-growers of their "natural" right to export their own flowers. And as to the paternalistic attitude of the respondents, he concluded, all he could say was that although he believed they had a genuine and sincere desire to act in the best interests of the flower-growers this could not vest them with powers which were not given them by law (see also H.C. 70/66, 2 P.D. 22/234).

The order *nisi* should, therefore, be made absolute and the respondents ordered to give the petitioners a licence to export the special flowers which they wished to export under the same conditions as all export licences are given.

Order *nisi* made absolute with IL2,000 costs.

Decision given on August 20, 1974.

WALL STREET

Worst declines of a bad year

NEW YORK (AP). — The worst price declines of a very bad year swept the New York stock market this week, pushing all popular ave- last week, pushing all popular ave- the early 1960s.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials fell 50.69 points to 627.19, posting losses in all five sessions to reach its lowest close since November 19, 1962. It was the Dow's second biggest weekly loss in modern memory, surpassed only by a 51.78-point slide last October at the start of the Arab oil embargo.

Analysts said the declines reflected continuing inflation worries and recession fears. With each passing week of negative news, market-watchers said hopes for solutions to the nation's economic problems have tended to diminish among investors and in the financial community.

The latest dose of discouragement was provided on Thursday when the government reported that wholesale prices soared at an even more rapid rate in August than they had in July. Some of the losses were so large they looked like misprints on the financial news wires. The gold stocks, which many investors had bought in hopes of insulating themselves from such damage, performed very poorly too, although a sharp rally late in the week brought them back a bit. Asa Ltd. fell 20⅝ to 69¼; Homestake Mining, the big board's most active stock, was off 13¾ to 41½; Dome Mines slid 13⅛ to 42½, and Campbell Lake was down 10⅞ to 27¾. Brokers traced the pressure on the golds to a sell recommendation from an analyst who later termed the market reaction "overdone."

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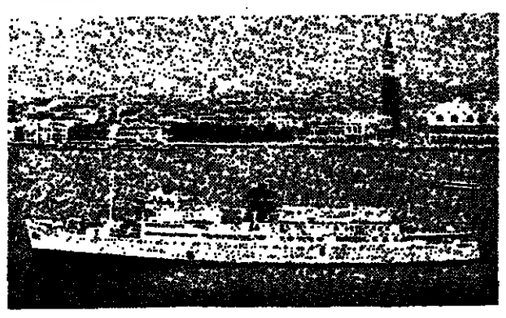
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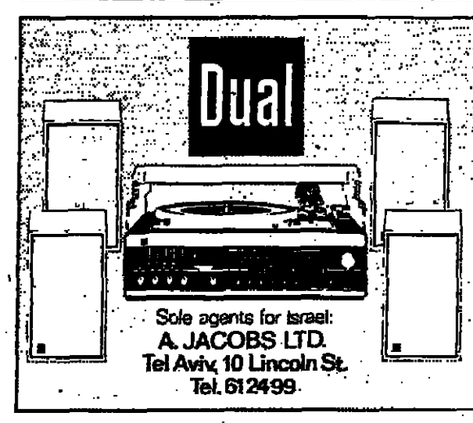
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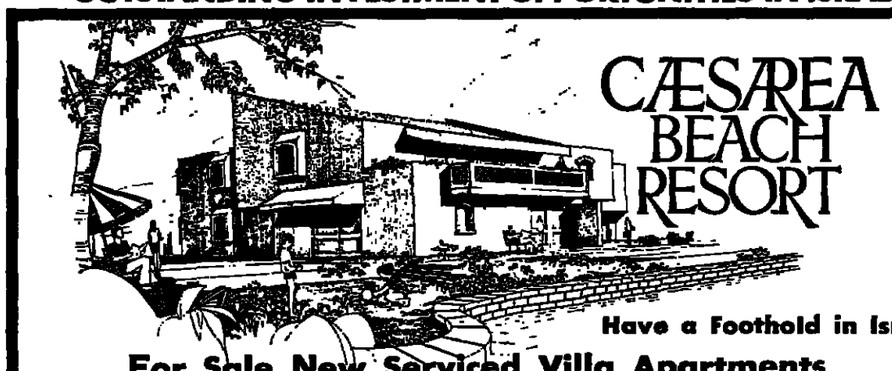
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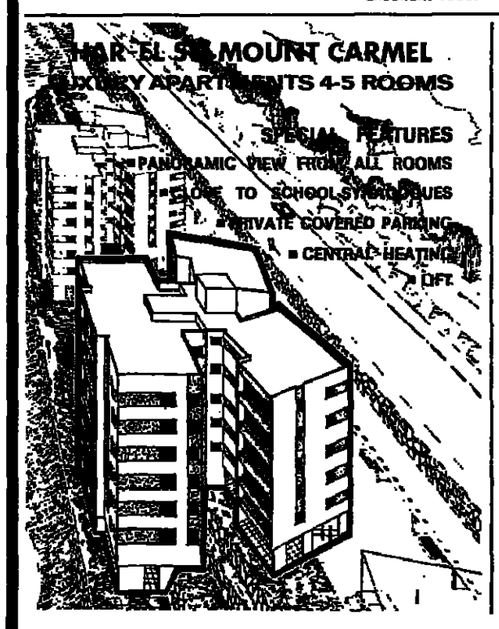
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UN YEAR

ON TUESDAY, the first day of Rosh Hashana, the UN Assembly will meet for its new season with a wide and ambitious agenda full of good things. These include an international university in Tokyo, plans for the protection of the environment, world food stock-piles: a new Utopia.

Three new states are to be admitted, the last of them Guinea-Bissau, with a population of 600,000, bringing the total of members in the Assembly to 138, with what has long since become a large majority for the Russian-Arab-new states bloc. Because the U.S. is nevertheless the leading world power, this imbalance has also led to a sharp down-grading of the UN itself.

It is only on a rare issue that the U.S. can muster a majority, with even its European support often divided, and the result has been enforced American reliance on the Security Council, where the balance is held by the power of veto. But the Russians, at the same time, have become the captives of their supporters and the detente with the West which they pursue with some determination on the ground, in reality, is made a mockery in the UN, where the representatives of such states as Libya seek to maintain a permanent state of revolution.

Instead of an improved quality of life, we have spiralling oil prices that are already starving out developing nations, particularly in Africa. Instead of a growing Soviet-American detente, we have artificially created crises in the UN, now held in check up to a point by the presence of China in the Security Council.

Instead of a university in Tokyo, Arab financing of terrorism has caused a dozen crises in the past year, and yesterday enabled Japanese revolutionaries to hold a French ambassador hostage in Holland, in an effort to free two other Japanese terrorists. Terrorism has become a world-wide problem in the developed countries, but every attempt to bring the world organization into anti-hijack and kidnap agreements has failed, primarily because it is the *raison d'etre* of the Palestine terrorist organizations, and as such is supported by the Soviet bloc and the Africans.

One of the items with which the UN is to deal this year is the recognition of Palestinian organizations as a delegation to the UN or at least as observers. There is no doubt that the PLO has succeeded in presenting the Palestinians as ill-used, and that they have gained much sympathy around the world in the past few years. This has happened precisely at a time when their image as impoverished refugees in wretched camps has been faded out from the propaganda front — it will not appeal to a Europe first threatened and impoverished by the Arab oil squeeze, and now threatened by Arab oil money awash in their economy. The sympathisers have yet to ask just what the terrorist organizations would hope and plan to do if they were helped by the UN to take over the West Bank and Jordan, apart from destroying Israel, and what sort of a regime the future would hold for those Palestinians now living in the area, and whether they would at all be consulted.

UN session will be action-packed

Clashing interests on a gobal scale will characterize the debates of the 29th session of the UN General Assembly, which opens on Tuesday.

UNITED NATIONS (UPI).— THE 29TH SESSION of the UN General Assembly is expected to be action-packed from its very beginning on Tuesday, to its closing day about three months later.

Clashing interests on a global scale will characterize its debates — often the old pitted against the new, the rich against the poor, the industrialized against the underdeveloped and the free enterprise against the socialist countries.

But in some cases, when the 110 items on the session's provisional agenda are being discussed, the adversaries of yesterday may join together against another random group, motivated by national or regional considerations or special interests.

When the session convenes, the Assembly first will elect Foreign Minister Abdelaziz Bouteflika of Algeria as President and then almost immediately proceed to one of its more important decisions: the admission of new members to the UN.

Three countries scattered around the globe along the Equator — Bangladesh in South Asia, Grenada in the Caribbean and Guinea Bissau in West Africa — with populations of 71 million, 94,000 and 600,000 respectively, hope to enter the world organization with unanimous approval. Their admission has been cleared by the Security Council and will bring the UN's total membership to 138.

The Assembly will reflect changes in Africa, Asia and the Middle East, deal with disarmament questions, the creation of at least three nuclear weapon-free regions, with the growing economic problems of the developing world, social and cultural matters, the UN's budget and a number of special issues.

Since the last regular session a year ago, the most drastic change has emerged in Africa where Portugal, under the new regime of President Antonio de Spinola, has begun to dissolve its centuries-old colonial empire.

Ever since the Assembly issued its solemn declaration on decolonization, Portugal had come under ever stronger attack in the debates each year for clinging to its colonies, under the pretext that they were provinces on equal standing with the motherland.

The Assembly is expected to welcome the change and impress on Portugal that it should grant independence to its other territories, particularly Angola and Mozambique, within a limited time.

Spearheaded by the Organization of African Unity (OAU), the Assembly was expected to direct the brunt of its anti-colonialist campaign against South Africa and Southern Rhodesia. The latter, a rebel British colony, has no direct connection with the UN and is under a Security Council imposed trade embargo.

But white minority ruled South Africa is a member state which continues to hold on to its World War One mandate of South West Africa. This is in disregard of several UN resolutions which have terminated the mandate and claimed UN authority over the mineral-rich territory under the name Namibia.

The OAU is expected to deny South Africa the right to speak in the general debate and possibly to press for an expulsion from the UN.

Another chunk of territory along the northwest coast of Africa, the Spanish Sahara, will be the subject of a verbal tug of war between Spain and the neighbouring countries of Morocco and Mauritania. Administering Spain has promised to hold a referendum on independence in 1975, under UN auspices, but both Morocco and Mauritania claim the Sahara as an integral part of their own territory.

Arab demand

In the Middle East debate, the Arab nations are expected to focus on their demand for the creation of a "homeland for the Palestinian refugees."

Last year, the Middle East question was on the Assembly's agenda, but never was brought to a debate in order to avoid interference in the delicate diplomatic negotiations following the October War. A debate was envisaged as possible for spring, but never came about and the 28th session was technically never closed.

Under its rules of procedure, the world body will have to meet under its old President, Leopoldo Benites of Ecuador, tomorrow afternoon to officially close that session. Benites will open the new session on the following day and remain in the chair until Bouteflika is elected.

This man, who appears to be all alone in the UN, is actually one of the security guards ... careful check for any bombs or suspicious objects in the General Assembly hall before the ... convene here on Tuesday.

On this occasion the Middle East question will be transferred to the provisional new agenda.

Another item up for debate will be the situation on Cyprus.

For the Asian orbit, two important political questions will have to be decided: should the UN terminate its military presence in South Korea? Should it recognize the government of President Lon Nol or that of Prince Norodom Sihanouk as the legal regime in Cambodia? A total of 34 nations have co-sponsored a move to take the "UN" label from some 38,000 U.S. troops stationed in South Korea. They propose to dissolve the UN command established in the 1950 Korean War and to end all further UN involvement on the peninsula.

In last year's vote on the Cambodian representation, Sihanouk's supporters lost by two votes and it is anyone's guess which way the decision will fall this year, if it comes to a showdown.

The Assembly will devote considerable time to all aspects of disarmament, including the Soviet proposal for a world disarmament conference, the reduction by 10 per cent of the big power military budgets and cessation of all nuclear weapons tests, particularly in the atmosphere.

New proposals include the creation of nuclear weapon free zones, in the Middle East and on the Indian subcontinent, and the reinforcement of such a zone already created in Latin America by including all foreign administered territories. Also on the agenda is the long standing proposal to make the Indian Ocean a zone of peace and exclude big power rivalry from it.

Oil prices

In the economic and social field, the Assembly will discuss the results of its special session last April which solicited special assistance from the industrialized and oil producing countries to the poor nations most affected by the 400 per cent crude oil price increase. It will look into the results of the World Population Conference in Bucharest and of the summer session of the Conference on the Law of the Sea in Caracas.

Special issues are: international action against terrorism, the international university to be set up with headquarters in Tokyo, a possible review of the UN. ... the strengthening of diplomati... lum, observer status in the ... bly for the European Eco... Community, translation of so... ficial documents into the ... language, and measures for ... duction of statelessness.

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Progress in Washington

AL HAMISHMAR (Mapam) gathers from reports from Washington that there has been "important progress" on supply of military equipment to Israel. This was reflected in Dr. Kissinger's statement that "the U.S. will maintain a strong Israel, not as a favour but to promote our common interests.

"It is too early to sum up the visit but it is to be hoped that there will be advances of similar importance in the political sphere," the paper says.

HA'ARETZ (independent) refers to the statement made by the Minister of Agriculture to settlers in the region between Eilat and Sharm-e-Sheikh that there had been no change in the Government's position regarding the future of this region and that it was planned to extend civilian settlement there. "What has been done so far in the way of actually settling the area is minute in comparison with what should be done. The settlers can be counted in tens and not in hundreds," the paper comments.

VIEWPOINT

'Highway patrol' to combat murder on the roads

By ALEXANDER ZVIELLI

ALTHOUGH IT IS TRUE that Jerusalem's accident rate has dropped somewhat despite the heavier traffic in the capital, as Abraham Rabinovich wrote in a recent article, this is certainly not the case as far as Israel's countrywide statistics are concerned.

The number of victims of traffic accidents here has been rising steadily by 10 per cent a year, and now equals that of all our war casualties since 1948. And there is almost no hope for any improvement. Each of us is in constant danger of being killed. The probability of an innocent passerby or passenger being involved in a traffic accident in Israel is the highest in the world. Most traffic experts agree that only the most severe disciplinary measures now have a chance of curbing the anarchy on our roads.

Veteran Israeli traffic court judge Moshe Mousak recently expressed a similar opinion when he lectured on this subject to the Jerusalem Rotary Club. Although the Police and the courts have wide discretionary powers under the law, leniency in the courts is still the order of the day. Because of the shortage of policemen, most traffic offences remain undetected. The few drivers who do adhere to the rules of good driving procedures, moreover, are scorned and abused by the reckless majority. Taxi and other professional drivers overtake at any price, and many admit openly that they improve their time and performance by devious and often dangerous tactics.

Clearly, what is needed is a completely different approach. Lessons in courtesy and yearly "careful drivers' days" are useful, but obviously not enough. Only the continuous presence of a "Big Brother" will ensure order and safety on our roads. Committing traffic offences does not worry the lawless driver because he knows the police are busy with other duties. In a recent experiment, a dummy traffic policeman was placed at a key intersection: it did wonders in bringing unruly drivers to heel.

A Civil Guard for traffic organized by the police and assisted by its traffic department, might help to bring about the desperately needed change. If our war against terrorism requires a major national effort, so does the fight against murder on the roads.

The traffic observers referred to with such pride by the National Council for the Prevention of Road Accidents could be transferred en bloc to such a new body. At present, if the volunteer observers report a traffic misdemeanour, the offender is either sent a letter which he promptly throws away. Or if the offender is brought to trial, *mashkif hatnua* is often regarded as an informer.

The time has come to mobilize veteran Israeli drivers with clean records — and such persons do exist. They could operate in pairs, watching the traffic, handing out tickets for violations. They would not necessarily have to be mobile but could be in radio contact with the regular traffic police in patrol cars. If the job is not to be a voluntary one, salaries could be paid from fines. The observers would issue tickets on the spot. And, without a doubt, the very presence of white-capped observers on the highways or at junctions would serve as an effective deterrent.

Given teeth and wide discretionary powers, working together with the traffic police and the "Hiba" policemen, a national Civil Guard for Traffic of several thousand volunteers could be the solution to murder and mayhem by motor vehicles.

Although there are always dangers in delegating police powers to civilians, the Civil Guard is proving itself in the war against terrorism.

It seems that we have no alternative but to adopt revolutionary measures. The creation of a Mishmar Ezrahi for the roads seems to be the need of the hour.

PENFRIENDS

ILANA HEBSON (17), of 69 Ninth Avenue, Highlands North, Johannesburg, South Africa, would like to have young Israeli penfriends. She likes music, the cinema and sewing.

B. P. VALLINAYAGAM (27), of No. 44 Perumalkoil East Car Street, Palayamkottai, Tamilnadu, India, would like to correspond with an Israeli girl between the ages of 20 and 30. He collects stamps and view cards and is interested in chess.

READERS' LETTERS

The Falashas

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The excellent column by Geoffrey Wigoder (September 6) correctly assesses that the Ethiopian (Falasha) Jewish dream is to come and live permanently in Israel — and 350 of them have already settled and made a phenomenal adjustment without fuss and fanfare within this country. Hundreds are poised for flight as soon as funds and further hospitality will be forthcoming.

One fact must be corrected and one omission must be noted in this otherwise important and affirmative statement.

While venereal disease is endemic to Ethiopia, the number of cases reported amongst the Falashas is statistically almost zero, a tribute to their unique Biblical sexual practices, sound family supervision and their unusual personal hygiene under the most primitive conditions. They are known to their gentile neighbours as "the people who wash themselves." Israel need have no fear of any contagion in this or any other disease which afflicts that country, because those who come here are not only healthy in every medical respect, but they are also intelligent, industrious, loyal (scores are already in the army and several have paid the supreme sacrifice) and sublimely dignified in speech and demeanour.

Beyond the aid provided by English Jewry for many decades, the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) has become a full-fledged financial partner in providing help within Ethiopia proper. For the first time widespread interest in the serious plight of the Falashas will be manifested in the U.S. during 1974-75 conferences and campaigns of beleaguered Jews wherever they may dwell in this turbulent world — including Ethiopia.

DR. GRAENUM BERGER,
CHAIRMAN,
American Association for Ethiopian Jews.

Jerusalem, September 8.

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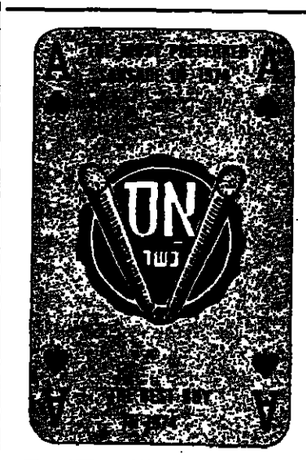

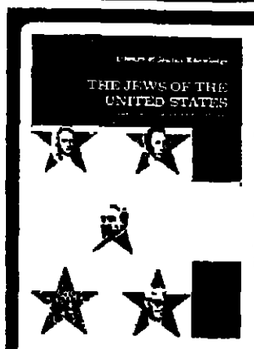

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